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H. S. JOHNSTON,
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Bombay, 19th September, 1905.

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By Order of the Committee.
J. B. LESLIE-ROGERS,
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Chamber of Commerce,
Bombay, 18th September, 1905.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders, of the Indian Cotton Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Nos. 7 and 9 Church Gate Street, on Saturday the 30th day of September, 1905, at 3-30 p.m., to transact the following business :—

1. To receive the Directors' Report and the Audited Accounts of the Company up to 30th June, 1905.
2. To declare a Dividend.
3. To elect a Director in the room of the Director who retires by rotation, but who is eligible for re-election.
4. To appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration.
5. To transact any other business which the Chairman may bring before the Meeting.

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By Order of the Directors,
GADDUM & Co.,
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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Lama, 940 tons, Captain M G Williams sailed yesterday for Karachee via Kathiawar coast ports, with a general cargo and passengers.

THE Bombay and Persia S N Co's steamer Moshtari, 1110 tons, Captain S W Willoughby, sailed yesterday for Red Sea ports, with a general cargo and 30 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Madura, 1273 tons, Captain W C Morrison will sail to-day for the Persian Gulf via Karachee, with general cargo one cabin and 65 deck passengers.

THE steamer Querimba, 1937 tons, Captain W B Smith, arrived in harbour yesterday from Middlesbro via London and Karachi, with a general cargo and 1258 packages of explosives.

THE German East Africa Line steamer Somali, 1623 tons, Captain Winiker, arrived in harbour on Sunday evening from Durban, 20th August, with a general cargo and 15 cabin and 272 deck passengers.

THE Anchor Line steamer Britannia 1969 tons, Captain R J Garrick, will sail to-day for Marseilles and Liverpool with a general cargo and Mr C L Boyitt M F Hague and Mrs Martin and child as passengers.

THE following passengers arrived here by the Austrian Lloyd's steamer Trieste, from Trieste yesterday morning :— Mr Troup, Miss Troup, Mr Moll, Mrs Edwards, Mr Eckhardt, Miss Marshall, Mr A A Crawford, Revd C Archimandrito, Revd Dunn, Revd Keyser, Revd Waenter, and Revd Schway.

ARRIVALS.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
17	Somali s	Winiker	Durban, Aug 20
18	Querimba s	Smith	Middlesbro' July 28
	Trieste s	Mistrorigo	Trieste, Aug 27

DEPARTURES.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
18	Lama s	Williams	Karachi
	Moshtari s	Willoughby	Red Sea ports

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday :—
Steamer Madura. Morrison, for Persian Gulf, &c
„ Britannia, Garrick, for Liverpool, &c

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday :—
Steamer Somali, for Zanzibar, &c
„ Dwarka, for Persian Gulf, &c
„ Trieste, for China, &c

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Austrian Lloyd's steamer Silesia, from Bombay arrived at Hongkong on the 17th instant.

The homeward bound Messageries Maritimes Co's steamer Nera, from Bombay arrived at Suez, on Sunday, the 17th instant at noon.

The Anchor Line steamer Arabia, passed Suez outwards on Wednesday the 13th and is due to arrive in Bombay on the 29th instant.

The same Co's steamer Scindia, arrived at Suez homewards on the 16th instant.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ORDER.

The "Bombay Government Gazette," Sept. 16.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Mr W S Marris of the I C S Deputy Secy to the Govt of India in the Home Dept is placed on special duty in that Dept with effect from the 4th Sept.

Mr H G Stokes of the I C S an Under Secy to the Govt of India in the Home Dept is appointed to officiate until further orders as Deputy Secy in that Dept with effect from the 4th Sept.

Mr A W J Talbot of the I C S is appointed to officiate until further orders as an Under Secy to the Govt of India in the Home Dept with effect from the 4th Sept.

Mr P Gray is permitted to resign H M's I C S with effect from the 1st July.

The services of Lieut-Col G A Welman Indian Army Cantonment Magte United Provinces are replaced at the disposal of H M for the Cor in-C in India with effect from the 22nd Augt.

Mr H W Orange Director Genl of Education in India is granted privilege leave for six weeks with effect from the 25th Sept.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND AGRICULTURE.

Mr W M Hailey of the I C S is placed on special duty with the Dept of Revenue and Agriculture Govt of India with effect from the forenoon of the 11th Sept.

The services of Mr M C Boning Extra Assist Conservator of Forests 3rd grade on the Burma list are placed at the disposal of the Sup of Port Blair for employment in the Andamans Forest Dept with effect from the 23rd August.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

The undermentioned officer is admitted to the Indian Army with effect from the date specified subject to confirmation by the Secy of State for India : Sec Lieut William Bertram Bell 3rd Battn Royal Warwickshire Regt, attached as a supernumerary to the 1st Battn Leicestershire Regt.

Lieut Col W B Log Anderson C B Indian Army Accountant-Genl Military Dept has been granted an extension of furlough by the Secy of State for India for six months.

Serg Edward George Knapp to be Sub-Conductor vice Sub-Conductor F S Hosley retired : with effect from the 21st Oct; Serg Harry John Alfred Davis to be Sub-Conductor vice Sub-Conductor P Russell promoted ; with effect from the 10th Nov 1904. Serg Edgar Hall Mansfield to be Sub-Conductor vice Sub-Conductor H A Mandy transferred to the pagalsi establishment with effect from the 18th Dec 1904. Serge Charles Tanner to be Sub-Conductor on augmentation ; with effect from the 25th Feby and Serg Colin Clay to be Sub-Conductor vice Sub-Conductor John Swinnerton promoted ; with effect from the 10th March.

Major Richard Pemgelly Warren Indian Army has been permitted by the Secy of State for India to retire from the service subject to H M's approval with effect from the 20th Nov.

Lieut-Col Thomas Frederick William Weed resigns his commission with effect from the 1st August.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, SEPT. 16.

SECURITIES—

2 3-4 per cent. Consols	89 3-4	= 1/16
2 do. Recds	89 1-4	= unchanged
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan	104 3-4	= do
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	86 1-2	= — 1 16

SILVER—

Spot in London	23 11-13	= — 1/16
2 months hence	23 3/16	= unchanged
Spot in New York	61	= — 1 8

EXCHANGES—

Paris cheques	25 16 1-2	= unchanged
Berlin do.	20 43 3-4	= — 3-4
New York Demand	4 55	= unchanged

DISCOUNTS—

Bank of England	3 per cent	= do
3 months sight Bank bills	2 7-8 per cent	= do
6 „ „ „	3 1/8 per cent	= do
3 „ „ Fine Trade Bills	3 1-4 per cent	= do
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills	3 5-8 per cent	= do

INTEREST—

Day to day loans	1 3-8 per cent	= do
7 day market loans	1 5-8 per cent	= do

Amount withdrawn from the Bank of England about £200,000 for Egypt.

SUGAR—
German granulated 1st marks 11 1-2 sellers quiet

METALS—
Copper Brazilen £79
Yellow metal £3 5-0
Tin Plates 20-11-6
Bar Iron Belgian £4-19-0
Iron Corrugated Sheets £11-5-0
Banca Steel Bars £5-5-0

RAPESEED—Steady
LINSEED—
Linseed Sold 29 3-0 sellers quiet
COFFEE—
Coffee in New York, 6 5-8

In Liverpool—Cotton Market closed quiet. East Indian quiet, Manchester steady. Total Sales 4,000. Spot 5'50 — 7. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 7 15-16. Sold on speculation and for Export 500. Imports 22,000. Futures closed steady.

Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec
5'41 —3	5'44 —3	5'47 —3
Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
5'49 —3	5'51 —3	5'53 —3
Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May	May-June
5'55 —3	5.56 —3	5'57 —3

Receipts at U S Ports	20,000
Do last year	30,000
Exports to Great Britain	9,000
do Continent	23,000

IN NEW YORK—

Spot	10'73	
Futures, month of Dec	10'36 unchd	a
Do do. Mar	10'51 + 1	a

A Trended to decline owing to weak cable and partial advance later due to bull support and short covering.

IN NEW ORLEANS—

Spot	10 1-16	
Futures, month of Dec	10'24 + 1	
Do, do, Mar	10'49 + 1	
Tone at close	steady	

	Bales.
Stock in London	23,000
Total visible supply	2,040,000
	+120,000
Total visible supply East Indian	150,000
Quantity in sight	540,000
	+19,000

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 24 hours, ending at 6 p.m. on Saturday, 16th Sept. 1905 :—

Cotton	119 bales.
Wheat	8,729 qrs.
Linseed	511 do
Rape, Rai and Mustard	94 do
Gingelly seed	539 do
Poppyseed	nil
Groundnuts	504 do
Castorseed	1,941 do
Rice	5,217 do
Myrabollams	6 do
Cottonseed	3,574 do
Mowrasseed	1,743 do
Gram	151 do
Jowar	23,377 do
Bajra	434 do

BOMBAY, SEPT. 18.

EXCHANGE.—Steady.

Bank T. T.	...	...	1s. 4 1-32d.
Bank Demand	...	...	1s. 4 1-16d.
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D.A.			1s. 4 1-4
Do, 6 do.	do.	...	1s. 4 3-8
French France 3 do.	do.	...	170 1-2
Maiaks 3 do.	do.	...	138 1-4
Hongkong 30 Days Sight		...	143
Shanghai 30	do.	...	197
Japan 30	do.	...	149 1-2

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—3 1/2 per cent. Tone steady.

Cash	99'3
1st Settlement 2nd October	99'3
2nd do. 1st November.	99'3

Money Market. Tone quiet.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England since 7th Sept.	3	per cent.
Bank of Bombay do. 10th August	4	do.
Bank of Bengal do. 17th do.	4	do.
Bank of Madras do. 10th July	4	do.

SEEDS,
LINSEED—Tone steady.

	Rs. a. p.
Ready	0 9 0
Forward Sept. Suttab ...	0 12 0

RAPESEED.—Tone quiet but steady.

Brown Cawnpore, Ready ...	6 2 0
Yellow Guzarat, Ready ...	7 0 0

POPPYSEED—Tone steady,

Ready	7 0 0

CASTORSEED—Tone quiet,

Ready Sellers	29 0 0

GINGELLYSEED—Tone quiet but steady.

Howree Khandeish	38 0 0
15 per cent Mixed	30 0 0

WHEAT—Tone quiet but steady.

Ready White Delhi ...	4 12 6
Forward do	4 13 6
Ready White Pissi	31 8 0

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone—steady.

Estimated sales	7,000 bales
Imports	4,000

Sept.-Oct	Oct.-Nov.	Nov D.c.
5'43	5'46	5.49
+2	+2	+2
Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
5'51	5'53	5'55
+2	+2	+2
Mar.-April	April-May	May-June.
5'59	5'59	5'59
+2	+2	+2

COTTON.—The market is very quiet with free sellers and little enquiry from mills and exporters, either for spot or forward delivery. The closing "Satta" prices are as follows :—

Bengal Fully Good January	Rs. 183
Broach M. G. Good March	„ 233

Tongue long fair to good pallah 2-5 to 2-8, and dark 2 to 2-1, short yellow 1-8 to 1-10 dark ltd to 1-2. Penang character 2 2 to 2-7, saree bold pallah 1-5 to 1-8, reddish fair 1-0 to 1-3, red and common 7 1-2d to 10 1-2 flouts 1-0 to 1-4, Tails 9d, Bladderpipe pale 2-7 to 2-11.

Kapoe.—The market is firm, but for the moment there is little offering on c.i.f. terms. For good ordinary quality there are buyers at 4d per lb.

Lemon grass oil.—The market is steady. Good quality oil is worth 8 1-4d to 8 1-2d per ounce.

Mace.—The market is unchanged. 14 cases of Singapore offered in sales this week were bought in at 1-8 for fair red. There were also offered 5 cases of Bombay wild but bought in Brownish at 3 1-4, 31 sackages West Indian were also offered and sold at 1-8 for good bold pale picked, 1-4 for good pale, and 1-2 to 1-3 for fair pale and reddish, pickings at 1-1, broken at 11 1-2d to 1.

Nutmegs.—The market is slow but unchanged. In sales there were 41 boxes of Singapore offered of which only 8 sold, 83's defective at 5 1 2d, 78's sound were unsold and taken out at 1-2 8 cases wormy Bombay were bought in at 4d. 4 boxes Ceylon were sold at 1 8 for 70's 5 3-4d for 98's, defective.

Pepper.—Black market remains quiet. In sale there was a very small quantity offered of which only 7 bags, Singapore sold at 6d for fair. Price for Singapore arrival is quoted Jan.-March shipment at 5-15 16d to 5 3-4d. August October there are sellers at 6 1 8. White market remains quiet. Of 111 bags Singapore offered there were no sale, and all bought in at 9 1-2d for good. Price quoted for arrival for October-December shipment 8-3 16d, and August-October at 8 1-4d c. i. f. delivered weights.

Rubber.—The market remains unchanged. Price for Fine hard Para is quoted at 5 6 3-4. 15 packages of plantation rubber were offered, good to fine biscuits sold at 6 3 to 6-3 1-4 good scrap at 5 4 packages of Scrap were bought in.

Tea.—This week 23. 534 packages were offered of which about 24,000 packages sold. The demand was not so good and prices irregular. Good competition was seen for fine Teas at steady prices. Good mediums were slightly easier. Commons being rather plentiful have been neglected, and show a weaker tendency. All descriptions of produce sold to the best possible advantage.

THE VOLKART'S UNITED PRESS CO., LD.

AN ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of this Company was held yesterday afternoon at its registered office in Marine Street, Fort, Mr. F. W. Bickel presiding.

The following report of the directors for the year ending 30th June last, was adopted :—"The cotton crops in Bhavnagar and in the Dhulia district have been poor.—Amraoti had a large crop but in consequence of the continuous reelion of new factories there, and in the absence of a joint-working agreement pressing rates were forced down to a very low level. Your factories in the Madras Presidency have all done well. Permission has been obtained a few weeks ago from H. H. the Nizam's Government, for erecting a press and a ginning factory at Raichur as sanctioned by the shareholders at the extraordinary general meeting held on 18th December 1903 and the necessary steps are being taken to have the factories in working order at the beginning of the next season. Mr. Hodgart the Company's Superintending Engineer retired in April last after 32 years of faithful service and the directors have granted him on that occasion a bonus of Rs. 2,750 which you will be asked to confirm. You will also be invited to sanction a bonus of Rs. 1,000 to Mr. Gosse the Company's former Engineer, in Guntakul, who resigned during the year on account of ill-health after a service of nearly 15 years. The total result of the year's working including a balance of Rs. 770-8 0 brought forward from last year is a profit of Rs. 20,371-12-3. To this sum the directors have added from reserve fund Rs 5,000-0-7 making a total of Rs. 39,003-12-10 out of which they have carried to depreciation account Rs 5,076-0-1. This leaves a disposable balance of Rs 20,387 6-9 from which they recommend to pay a dividend of Rs. 55 per share absorbing Rs. 24,750. The balance of Rs. 1,637-6-9 to be carried forward to New Year's profit and loss account."

A dividend of Rs. 55 per share, free of income-tax was declared, A bonus of Rs. 2,750 to Mr. Hodgart and one of Rs. 1,000 to Mr. Gosse, as recommended in the report were sanctioned. Mr. Dharamsey Moraji Gokuldas was re-elected a director of the Company. Mr Burjorjee G. Contractor was confirmed and re-appointed an auditor on a remuneration of Rs 250

A vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded the business before the meeting.

THE War Office announces that the question of the pattern of miniature rifle best suited for shooting on miniature ranges, and for drill purposes in the case of cadets and lads, was recently considered by a conference held at the War Office, at which the National Rifle Association and the Miniature Rifle Clubs were represented, and it was decided to prepare designs with a view to the adoption of a standard pattern.

PIMPLES AND "HEAT SPOTS."

BILE BEANS REMOVE THEM.

Once upon a time as soon as pimples and eruptions appeared, there was a rush to that nauseous preparation, "treacle and brim-stone." Times have changed since then, and science has shown that, as a remedy for any ailment, mineral substances like sulphur are much inferior to vegetable extracts. One or two doses of Chas. Forde's Bile Beans which are pleasant to take, handy to deal with, and may be obtained from any chemist, have more effect in purifying the blood than a dozen nauseous doses of the old fashioned remedies.

Miss. Rosina Bridge, of Broad Street, Pilgwenlly, Newport (Wales), says :—"My blood was quite out of order, and pimples and eruptions broke out all over my face. Not only was my blood impure, but I felt run down, was anaemic, and had frequent attacks, of headache, which turned to sickness. The lightest duties became too heavy for me, the least thing made me short of breath, and I felt so weak that I could hardly crawl about. Now and again, to make matters worse, I was attacked with biliousness and acute neuralgia. I visited a local hospital, and took the medicine prescribed, but no benefit resulted.

"Having tried in vain almost everything else, I thought I would give Bile Beans a trial, and I am glad I did so. A few bottles worked a wonderful improvement in me, and after a thorough course I found myself strengthened and restored. I brightened up, the headaches became more rare and at last ceased altogether. The pimples and eruptions disappeared, my appetite improved, and I felt myself taking renewed interest in all my surroundings. I am now cured, and owe this entirely to Bile Beans,"

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"Bombay Gazette," 19 Sept., 1905.

BANK OF BOMBAY.

The following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bombay, for the week ending the 16th September as compared with the statement of the 9th Sept. :—

Liabilities.	Sept. 9. Rs.	Sept. 16. Rs.
Capital	4,00,00,000	4,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	47,00,000	37,00 00
Public Deposits at Head Office	61,63,754	46,9 .,782
Public Deposits at Branches	35,5 .,826	33,86,975
Private Deposits	6,56,9 .,937	6,86,14,75
Post Bills	14,696	14,441
Sundries	16,69 3:9	16,56,890
Rs.	9,29,91,637	9,74,35,530
Assets.		
Government Securities	1,15,86,812	1,16,32,737
Other authorised Securities	31,65,174	43,14,984
Credits on Govt. and other authorised Securities	07,85,722	07,06,490
Loans do. do.	1,67,41,410	1,58,67,349
Bills discounted and purchased	2,67,69,139	2,49,97 431
Dead Stock	2,83,011	2,85 011
Stamps and Stationery	2,179	2 676
Balances with other Banks	11,36,521	11,27,480
Sundries	1,13,198	1,16,429
Cash	2,2 .,91,237	2,96 45,595
	9,29 91,637	9,74,35,530

SPECIAL PRODUCE LETTER.

Messrs John Haddon and Co., in their special produce letter dated London August 1 state :—

Annatto Seed.—Market remains quiet. 31 bags offered and a few bags sold at 6 1-2d to 7d per lb, the remainder being bought in at 7d per lb.

Beeswax.—East Indian quality 150 packages retired. Yellow wax is worth £5-15 to £6-5, and white wax £6-15 to £7-7 6 per cwt.

Copra.—Market is quiet and unchanged. Sellers idea of price is £10-5. Buyers at 5 below that limit.

Cloves.—Marke unchanged. No sales this week. For Zanzibar August-October delivery we quote 5 5-8d value, and Buyers for October-December at 5 3-8d.

Ginger.—Market remains unchanged. 20 cases and 23 bags Cochin and Calicut offered in this week's sales, but unsold. Medium limed native cut at 40, and brown Calicut rough-bold medium and small wormy and mouldy at 30. There were also 54 bags Jamaica offered and 34 sold at 45 for good ordinary.

Hemp.—The market remains unchanged of 71 bales of hemp Bombay offered 20 sold at £17-15 31 bales Bengal Sunn offered 21 sold at £15-15, 99 bales Jubbulpore and 115 bales Allahabad Sunn were all bought in.

Shai.—This week there were offered 602 bales of Indian, of which 439 bales were sold at £2-40 to £23.

Isinglass.—The 8th Auction of this year were held this week comprising 178 packages against 709 packages in July. The demand was steady and about one-third found buyers at previous prices. Of 347 packages Bombay offered only 126 found buyers. Reddish lead 2-10, common thin leaf 2-8 to 1-11, Kurrachee leaf 2-7, yellow 2-1 to 2-0, and and yellow pipe thin at 2-2 to 2 1, dark 1-7 to 2 0

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

MARRIAGES.

SMITH—FORBES—September 13, at Aramgarh, U P, by the Rev W B Collins, C M S, James Cowi shaw Smith, Indian Civil Service, to Charlotte Dunne, youngest daughter of the late James Lascelles Forbes and of Mrs Forbes, of Shumshabad, District Aramgarh.

GOODMAN—SLATER—September 13, at Christ Church, Jubbulpore, Frederic Edward Goodman, Military Grass Farm, Mhow, to Mary Hannah, of Jubbulpore, youngest daughter of F J Slater, Esq, Naval Engineer, Retired.

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LANTERN ENTERTAINMENT.—In the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association last night, Col. H. D. Oliver gave an interesting and instructive lecture on "Rome Ancient and Modern." Mr. H. E. E. Procter occupied the chair. The lecture was illustrated by sixty lime light views, and was much appreciated by the audience.

ACCIDENT IN A MILL.—Bhicko Devoo, a mill hand, aged sixteen, while at work in the carding room of the Manockji Petit Mill, at Tardeo, on Sunday, suddenly got giddy and fell on to the machinery which was in motion at the time. He received a severe wound on the head and fractured his lower jaw bone. He has been detained in the J. J. Hospital.

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FATAL ACCIDENT IN A FACTORY.—Bundia Shivram, a labourer working in a ginning factory belonging to a Parsi named Jamsetji Cawasji and situated at Curry Road Parel met with his death on Sunday by a portion of masonry, forming part of an archway in the factory, suddenly giving way through vibration of the machinery and falling on him. The factory has been in existence for the past ten years and nothing unusual was noticed about the condition of the arch.

AN OLD OFFENDER.—Kashi Devi alias Abdool Currim, a Mahomedan convict, who had been convicted last week by Mr. P. H. Dastur, on seventeen counts of thefts and sentenced to an accumulated term of nineteen months rigorous imprisonment, was yesterday morning charged by Inspector De Bargh, before Mr. J. W. S. Dracup, with stealing a time-piece of the value of Rs 50 belonging to Mr. K. C. Laloca. The accused pleaded guilty to the charge and was awarded three months' further imprisonment with hard labour.

A JOLLY-BOAT SWAMPED.—A jolly-boat belonging to one Haji Abba, a hawker in clothes, &c., was made fast to the gangway of the steamship Lomdale in the harbour, on Saturday afternoon, when owing to the swell, she got swamped and sank. The Hindu Jaffer Abba and the crew were saved and taken on board the steamship Lomdale. It appears that the owner, after the boat had been made fast to the Lomdale went on board for the purpose of selling his goods, leaving a quantity of the goods valued at Rs. 300 in the boat. During his absence the boat got swamped and sank. Subsequently she was found by the Port Trust launch Heda and was taken to Ballard Pier.

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SAVAGES AND CLOTHES.

A VERY comfortable doctrine is preached in the new "Monthly" by Mr. Frederick Boyle, in an article on the above subject. It is that people in tropical climates are healthier and stronger by adhering to the costumes of Mother Eve and Father Adam, which besides fitting well, have the advantage of being cheap. Advocates of strikes or shorter hours in cotton mills and diminished production have here their remedy: in decreased demand. Once do away with clothes and the difficulty is removed, and you are both healthy and wealthy as well as wise. We must admit that Mr. Boyle does not go so far as to recommend this sweeping change to the European sojourner in hot countries, though at certain seasons of the year it would undoubtedly be refreshing to sit and work "mid noddings on." It is found in Australia that when the natives begin to wear shirts they become subject to rheumatism and fever, and we are warned that the kindness of the white man who supplies the native with stray bits of clothing is by no means conducive to his longevity. The natural result is that no sooner do the natives come into contact with whites than phthisis and other diseases make their appearance; after a comparatively short time all that can be done is to gather the few remnants of a tribe into some Mission station, where its final extinction may be as pleasant as possible. There is a hero of song to whom we used do honour in that "the naked every day he clad when he put on his clothes." But we must now look upon him as a would-be suicide if not a potential murderer. It is a terrible thing to think of and should certainly lead us to pause and reflect whether for the sake of example we ought not to—well, reduce the amount of our tailors' bills, by way of a start. We taught the Kaffir to drape himself. The unsophisticated Kaffir is cleanly in his way; he often bathes, though after the operation he daubs his body with red clay and grease. But having once put on a shirt he does not take it off for any purpose whatever. The Indian coolie has been known to remove his clothes and occasionally, according to tradition, to pour water over himself out of a small metal vessel, holding about a pint; but we do not know of any instance in which he has washed his garments except under such strenuous compulsion as has almost amounted to a culpable interference with the liberty of the subject.

The evil influence of clothes upon human beings could not be more forcibly illustrated than by the experiences of the Australian black and the South African Kaffir. Of course, the drink-fiend is generally blamed for the deterioration of the savage and it is the fashion to condemn every body connected with licensed victualling as enemies to the human race. It will certainly not please Exeter Hall to be told that the charge of wiping out many curious human stocks should be transferred from "the drink's" shoulders to those of the misguided philanthropist who prescribes top boots and blankets and the enterprising outfitter who rejoices in sending them his shop-soiled surplus stock, which cannot profitably be disposed of at the annual sales. For years we have been down on brewers and the publican. It is with regret we must add to the list of condemnable persons the tailor, the hatter and the general outfitter. Many men, both civilised and barbarian, are noble-looking animals in their birthday suits, who are merely grotesque when in clothes, and even Sandow who seems to be a veritable giant of strength in "strong man" habiliments, is in every-day vestments so insignificant in appearance that the average pedestrians would shoulder and hustle him in a crowd without the slightest hesitation. Among barbarians greater physical strength prevails because they have more summary methods of dealing with puny and malformed offspring. They used to be put to death and no effort was made to conceal the fact. Now they get lost, and mysterious accidents befall them and where there is no Criminal Investigation Department the mysteries are never solved. Still malformed children are rare where parents are strong. That the naked savage lives to a great age is well-known, but Family Bibles and Birthday Text-books being at a discount in the low countries, it is impossible accurately to compare barbarian longevity with civilised. Yet there were three hundred Kaffir centenarians in Cape Colony according to the last census. The ordinary individual among them may live as long as he likes, but when the Kaffirs were independent, if a reigning chief showed signs of feebleness, forthwith the Indunas arranged for his evanescence and funeral rites, also for the enthronisation of his successor.

That the naked races are physically stronger and suffer less from disease than those who clothe has been proved beyond all possibility of challenge. That of itself should induce residents in the tropics to follow suit. But we hear "the dressy person" object that if we all went about alike we should not be able to identify one another, for there would be no individuality about any one of us. We should be as like as so many peas. Nothing at all of the sort. Those who are content that God made them after His own image would still attract attention, whilst those who have put their trust in the chemist, the hair-dresser, the milliner and the dress-maker, as well as of the Maumon of Unrighteousness, would fall very low in public estimation. Many of those who now reign as queens in circles of youthful admirers would find themselves mere handmaidens in the temple-compound. We do not suppose the most ingenious arguments Mr. Boyle can bring forth will persuade Bombay, European or native, to go back to fig-leaves—at all events not before the Royal visit—though he reminds us that most natives of this country wear as little as may be when at work or in private. That they are the better for it is perfectly well known. We laugh at the native who in a shower of rain takes off and carries his shoes and stockings, when he has any, and tucks up his nether garment round his waist. But he is wise. When the rain stops he has dry clothing at hand, whilst the European in the same storm is drenched through and through and catches cold before he can reach dry raiment. All our artificial customs, acting together from numbered generations, writes Mr. Boyle, have wrought mischief, but most effective, doubtless, has been the use of clothes, because that is most unnatural. Nakedness is the only condition universal among vigorous and healthy savages—at every other point they differ. Men have no natural clothing like other animals and "respectable persons would be shocked and indignant at the suggestion that man was designed to go about his business all face." It is a great offence against nature to muffle up the limbs and if we had been intended to be covered we, that is some of us, would have been much less elaborately and symmetrically finished than we are. We are glad to find Mr Boyle does not propose to test public opinion by asking for a Government enquiry. He leaves the matter, very prudently, to be settled by individual taste and inclination—tempered, presumably and as probably might be, by an officious, if inefficient and unappreciative constabulary.

A CONSUL ON COTTON.

M. LOUIS VOSSION, Consul for France in Bombay; has written a paper on "The Cotton Industry in India and its Future" which is included in the list of French "Economic Studies on British India." The writer remarks that the upward impulse which the war in the Further East gave to the cotton industry in India will have borne considerable fruit by the time the report for the fiscal year 1904-05 comes to be written. Even when he wrote this brochure the industry after a succession of trying years, was recovering its flourishing condition and there was no reason to suppose this would not be maintained, even if the arbitrary three and a half per cent which helped to keep the industry down, were not reduced or taken off altogether. If the efforts to acclimatise foreign long-stapled cotton and to improve the indigenous sorts by hybridisation are persevered in, M. Vossion hopes for good results. It seems to us difficult for the non-expert to resist the thought that it is the peculiar nature of the rainfall and the consequent condition of the soil and climate that make Indian cotton a short-stapled plant. Rain does not fall in India like the gentle dew from heaven, at intervals during the whole time of growth, nor is the soil softened by occasional showers. The cotton-fields get their moisture in one continuous and often violent supply. The plants have to make the best of it. The ground cakes up when all is over, and a stunted growth and a short staple is the result. It will probably be found that some improvement can be effected by hybridisation and repetitions of the process, but to our minds more could be done if hoeing could safely be a part of the regular treatment of the cotton field. This never seems to be really done, probably because the cultivator knows perfectly well that when the rain is over any breaking up and loosening of the soil would only let the sun beat with fiercer effect on the roots of the cotton plants and dry up altogether what was left of the moisture round them. It would be well to try the long-stapled cotton of Egypt or the United States in that part of India that has two monsoons and then see if the result is satisfactory. However that may be, M. Vossion sees much that is interesting in the general condition of the Indian Cotton Industry from three points of view, the material, the employes, and the production, and he gives the results in a few simple figures, avoiding secondary details and taking his statistics for Bombay from the General Report of the Mill-Owners' Association. He dwells upon the fact that there is a yearly improvement in the yarns spun, they get gradually finer and the proportion of the finer to the lower numbers is rapidly increasing, which every one will agree with M. Vossion speaks eloquently as to the condition of the industry. In consequence, the importation both of yarns and cottons from England has somewhat diminished. He notes that Indian yarn received a diploma of honour at the Hanoi Exhibition. With regard to the mill-employes, M. Vossion remarks that many mill-owners, recognising the necessity for attracting workmen by humane treatment, have arranged with different private companies and with the City Improvement Trust to secure to their employes healthy and cheap dwellings. Some even, of their own motion, have tackled the question of workman's pensions. After thirty years' service the hands would receive a pension of five rupees a month, half the salary of their active days. It is little indeed, says M. Vossion, but the wants of the Hindus are small and their method of life is so simple that it will suffice, once they retire to their villages where almost all of them own a little piece of land. The pioneer of this movement was, it seems Mr. J. N. Tata. It would be interesting to know in how far this idea has been put in practice. Not many mill-hands work for thirty years in one mill, M. Vossion finds the water-rate for the Bombay Mills considerably higher than in Manchester or in Glasgow and higher even than for private houses, which he considers an abnormal dispensation and he is quite right. With regard to the export duty which in 1903-04 amounted to Rs. 21,87,500 or £145,834 the Consul thinks it is a leaden weight tied to the foot of the Indian cotton industry, an arbitrary and unjust check on its development, nevertheless it will not prevent the upward course of so fine an industry, not only in India, but in the markets of the Farther East.

THE CHAMPION CRICKET COUNTY.

THE papers by last mail are full of interesting references to the success of Yorkshire in winning the County Cricket Championship. All good sportsmen will offer Yorkshire hearty congratulations upon recovering an honour which has been thoroughly deserved. The real strength of the Yorkshire eleven lies in its all-round excellence. It is not often that the two best bowlers in a county team are also batsmen who may be expected to make sixty or seventy runs at a critical moment; but Hirst is one of the best bats in England, and Rhodes would be played for his batting and fielding if he were not one of the most wily and resourceful of bowlers. It has been suggested that the Australian tour has spoilt the County Championship, but analysis will not support this contention. Lancashire and Yorkshire each lost a match against a comparatively weak opponent when three or four of their best men were playing for England. But if each had won this match the relative score would be practically the same as at present. Yorkshire has won the Championship on her merits. Lancashire whose eleven has not quite played up to the standard set last year must be content with knowing that she beat the champions early in the season, though they were unconquerable after they got into their stride.

THE P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Peninsular with the outward Mails of the 8th instant, left Aden, at 9 p. m. on Sept. 17, and is expected to arrive in Bombay at 9 a. m. on Friday next.

LORD KITCHENER, on the conclusion of his trip to the Kulu Valley, will probably return to Simla immediately.

THE PRELIMINARY estimates for the electrification of the Kalka-Simla Railway are to be prepared under orders of Government.

IT IS reported that the East Indian main line was breached by floods below Moghul Serai on Saturday. No particulars have yet reached us.

LATEST reports from Kashmir state that the floods are subsiding, no rain having fallen for the last few days. Details of the damage done and loss of cattle have not yet been received.

IT is reported that coal prospecting operations are being carried on in the Dehra Dun District, the concessionaires being a Calcutta firm.

THE Bishop of Lahore, who has obtained a month's privilege leave, has proceeded into the interior hills beyond Chumba.

ABOUT 28 lakhs of tolas of silver have been purchased by the Government of India from Treasury funds for immediate coinage into rupees.

THE consecration of the Rev. Messrs. Westcott and Gill to the Missionary Bishoprics of Chota Nagpur and Travancore and Cochin respectively, will take place together in Allahabad Cathedral on the 1st November (All Saints Day).

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Dholka Railway, for the week ending 5th August amounted to Rs. 906, being a decrease on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 590. Total earnings from 1st July to 5th August, were Rs. 6,960, being a decrease on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 2,466.

THE statement of traffic of the Tapti-Valley Railway, for the week ending 5th August, amounted to Rs. 8,636, being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 1266. Total earnings from 1st July to 5th August, were Rs. 47,322 being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 7,650.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway, for the week ending 5th August amounted to Rs. 1,694, being a decrease on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 742. Total earnings from 1st July to 5th August were Rs. 10,730 being a decrease on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 2,910.

THE goods traffic on the B. B. & C. I. Railway for the week ending 26th August 1905, shows an increase over the corresponding week of 1904 of 92,923 maunds, with a decrease of Rs. 7,489 in the earnings.

ON the Parsee New Year's Day, Mr. Dhunjibhoy Bomanjee of Bombay subscribed 10,000 for the establishment of 2 beds in the names of his late father and mother: and Mr. Bejanji Ardashir Dastur Camdin Rs. 5,000 towards Mr. Jehangir Bomanjee Petit's scheme for the establishment of a Parsee General Hospital. Mr. Dhunjibhoy has also promised further substantial help to the scheme.

MR. ABDULLAH M. SUHRAWARDY, the founder of the Imperial Pan-Islamic Society, has had the honour of being granted an audience by the Shah at Vichy. His Majesty listened with interest to Mr. Suhrawardy's scheme of building a Pan-Islamic mosque in London, and expressed his approval of it. Some of the members of the suite subscribed 2,150 Persian tumans towards the funds, Hadji Aqa Amin-uz-Zurb and Aqa Moin-ut-Tujjar, heading the list with £500 each.

A meeting, which was attended by about three thousand people, was held on Sunday at Hyderabad (Deccan) at the residence of Dr Aghornath Nawab Fyazli, who presided. The object of convening the meeting was to explain to the Indian community the benefit of encouraging Indian arts and industries. Several speakers addressed the gathering in different dialects and explained the necessity of improving indigenous industries. The speakers urged that Indians talked patriotism and that the country's good depended on its commerce, which was only possible if foreign imports were checked. After several resolutions were passed, the president made an impressive speech, and the meeting dispersed.

A CORRESPONDENT writes:—The Vice President of the Republic of Liberia, Mr. Joseph D. Summerville departed this life on the 27th July last at his home in the city of Buchanan in the county of Grand Bassa. The deceased was born in Grand Bassa County and upon reaching manhood so impressed his personality upon his fellow-citizens that he was early called to fill successively the offices of Superintendent of the County, Senator and finally was twice elected to the Vice Presidency of the Republic. He also served for several years as Lieutenant-Colonel of the 2nd Regiment. At every period of his life he won the confidence and support of his fellow-citizens and was looked upon as one of those who might eventually with advantage to the county be called to the helm of the ship of the State.

COMMENTING on the first tie between the Gordons and Seaforths in the Durand Football Tournament, a correspondent writes:—It was a little disappointing as the Gordons did not play nearly as well as they were playing at Mhow earlier in the year, when they won the beautiful cup given by the Breweries after a hard fight with the 3rd Hussars. Their long passing is excellent and perhaps a little more feeding of the outside left, who is a beautiful shot at goal with the left foot, might have resulted in their equalising. Both goal-keepers had very hard work in defending their respective goals, especially during the extra ten minutes each way, in the second half of which the Seaforths scored the only goal. The shooting of both teams appears to be rather wild, especially during exciting scrimmages round the goal.

A SURVEY OF TYNESIDE.

(BY A TYNESIDER.)

If the ancient maxim that if you wish for peace you should prepare for war is one which no prudent nation should ever forget, and if this maxim can be also applied to localities, then Tyneside is one of the most prudent of all places in the Twentieth Century. For here is the home and the habitat of Messrs. Armstrong, Whitworth and Co., the Elswick works, renowned the world over. The growth of but half a century, if Elswick has not 30,000 men on its full pay roll, it has something not very far short of it and the amount of money which flows in and out of Newcastle-on-Tyne and the surrounding district on account of this stupendous industry is known only to the directors of this mammoth concern. Originally a shallow and comparatively insignificant river, the Tyne has been dredged and dredged until millions of tons have been scraped from its bed, and the great battleships and armoured cruisers of the present day are launched from Elswick, some fifteen miles from the sea, into deep water. In the North they "carry coals to Newcastle" to some purpose, as, apart from the export, which runs into tenscore millions of tons the factories of Tyneside consume an enormous proportion of that which comes, day in, day out, from the surrounding country. "Canny Newcassel" is remarkable for a good many things, but for none so much as the High-Level Bridge which spans the Tyne; even the casual passenger to Berwick on Tweed or Scotland is struck by its magnificence in merely passing over in the train, but you have to acquire a somewhat intimate acquaintance with it, both from Newcastle and Gateshead, before you can accord it that appreciation which it deserves. The hills stand high both in Northumberland and Durham, the hills from which this monument of Stevenson's creative genius takes its half-mile leap from one summit to another. From its summits is an extensive view of the surrounding country, the land of the border feuds and the rubber barons, a land of mail-clad men, stern, uncouth, swift to strike and slow to forgive, whose eyries dot the county of Northumberland from many a dominant hill. At the back of the castle, some 200 yards north, stands Newcastle's famous parish church, now promoted to be a cathedral. On one of the numerous occasions on which the Scotch were besieging the town they sent a message to say that unless its defenders instantly surrendered, the church tower, the world-famous lantern tower, the pride of the heart of every true Northumbrian, would be bombarded and destroyed. But canny Newcassel rose to the occasion. The answer came back, "Fire away our church tower is full of Scots prisoners. Past the castle and the Custom House a breakneck irregular staircase leads to the Quayside; houses perch perilously on either side of this descent, and it appears to be the chosen home of the cheap bootmaker, the man who makes the fearsome foot-gear affected by the lower orders on Tyneside. At the foot of the staircase is the Low-Level Bridge, which has a swing opening in the middle through which the ships pass at half-hourly intervals.

But Newcastle, Gateshead, and the Elswick works are but a portion of Tyneside; Benton, Byker, Wallsend, Northumberland Dock, North Shields, and Tynemouth, run down the Northumbrian bank of the river, while Jarrow, with Palmers' great shipbuilding works, forms a connecting link to South Shields. For the modest sum of threepence you can take steamer from Newcastle Quayside to North Shields, that is, if you are not particular with regard to your company and its habits, for it is in this fashion that many workmen travel from one centre to another of this busy region they all smoke pipes—and do other things. Great is commerce, and no doubt that it prevails. Does not everyone sing of the glory of England as an industrial nation, speak of her as the workshop of the world, the pioneer of progress, the builder of ships and engines, the mart of machinery? In no part of the United Kingdom is this more in evidence than it is on Tyneside. From Scotswood, where the Elswick works begin, to Tynemouth, and from Gateshead to South Shields, stretches a line of works on either bank of the river, and as a connecting-link between one factory and one shipyard and another are the dwellings of the workmen who earn their living in these establishments. As you pass down the river, on either hand are the gaunt skeletons of ships in embryo, whose frames have not yet received their plates; around these skeletons are men in swarms and there arises a deafening clang the sound of thousand of hammers beating upon metal. Of such are Hawthorn and Leslie, Messrs Wigham Richardson, and Co., and Palmers' of Jarrow besides many another firm of lesser note. But ship and engine building are but two of the industries which go to make up this hive of human industry; cement factories, paint and varnish factories, the turbine works of Parsons, dry docks, ship basins and last, which should have come first, the "Staithes" down which in black clouds the coal rumbles into the holds of the steamers under their discharge shoots. Tall gaunt chimneys are the most salient features of the landscape of Tyneside, and all day and every day year in and year out do they emit rolling clouds of greasy black smoke. High on the banks run the mineral trains with their cargoes of coke or coal everywhere there is coal, or coal dust, or coal smoke blotting out the pale blue of the northern sky and befouling everything to the sight and touch and smell.

Out in the stream the west wind blows gustily against the strong flood tide, which is chattering among the mooring buoys and tautening the steel hawsers which bind the steamers to the banks and the wharves rushes in fiercely among clumps and bunches of steamers in their tens and their dozens, ay, and even in their hundreds and a sight this, so much potential wealth lying and rusting, with boilers cold and cables which should be tautening to their anchors in foreign ports, shackled to buoys in the River Tyne. The shipowner has no pleasing tale to tell nowadays, and too often has to sell to his foreign competitor, who, triumphantly points out to him the useless Plimsoll mark, and comes back to help out the freights in helpless England in her coast-wise trade, a trade from which the Briton is of course, hopelessly debarred from taking a share in any foreign country whatsoever. Past Palmers' yard, where a middle-aged battleship is renewing her youth, and where new slate-coloured destroyers have just been born, of the ample proportion of 550 tons apiece, the fussy paddle-steamer pants backward from bank to bank. Grim and grimy are South and North Shields, and it is at the latter place we must disembark. The electric tram runs up a steep hill, past the institute for "Decayed Master Mariners," which looks out across the railway line and the foreshore to the sea beyond, and where stands, in the borough of Tynemouth, a column with a statue of Collingwood, Nelson's second in command at Trafalgar, on top. From the coast road running north to Cullercoats, renowned for its fishwomen, is a good view of the mouths of the river. On the hill to the northward stands the strikingly picturesque ruin of Tynemouth Priory, all that is left of one of the most ancient historical monastic institutions in England; north, all the way to Berwick and south, to Sunderland and the Tees, the high grass banks roll steeply to the sands on which break the restless waters of the North Sea. Borne before the westerly wind in one great horizontal cloud, the smoke and soot of shipyard, factory, mine, and warehouse, voltige out across the ocean; north and south of it, stainless and clear, is the grey-blue water, flecked here and there with foam, and the free untainted air, but hanging far over from river's mouth to horizon is this symbol of material prosperity, the choking breath of industrialism. A great painted North Sea tramp steams "the Black Middens" and the harbour's mouth, and fares eastward on her way: a deeply laden collier follows her, but turns south to an unknown destination, for where, on the confines of the habitable globe, is the "Geordie" wrung out to be found? Out well clear of the land, where the waters is grey and steely, a great Scotch "Atlantic" steamer thus southward her huge log-reel, which she wears around, coaxing her to travel at an economical pace. As the sun dips behind the smoke-pall that shadows Tyneside, and the distant peaks of the shipyard headstocks cease; the long twilights of the northern summer's night has come, and on the pearl grey sand spit tints merge into a supreme indescribable [illegible] and then, the after long seemed to have come to a few hours at all events, there is peace and silence on Tyneside.

SWEDEN AND NORWAY.

LOOKING TOWARDS WAR.

NORWAY'S PREPARATIONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, SEPT. 17.

The Swedish-Norwegian delegates had three sittings yesterday.

An official communique states that there is ground for hoping that the negotiations will shortly reach a definite result.

Later news says that the Swedish-Norwegian delegates had further conferences to-day and it is understood that a compromise has been reached. This has caused great satisfaction and relief at both capitals.

LONDON, SEPT. 18.

Travellers arrived from Stockholm report that Norway last week was energetically preparing for war, constructing temporary fortifications on the frontier, cutting down trees and barricading roads. Nearly all the troops in the central and frontier districts seemed to have been mobilized.

Relief is felt at Christiania at the peaceful outlook, but the hope is expressed that peace is not too dearly bought.

THE NAPHTHA INDUSTRY.

The Tsar Intervenes.

LONDON, SEPT. 17.

The Tsar has ordered the assembly of a representative conference presided over by the Minister of Finance to consider measures to revive the naphtha industry and also the concentration of sufficient troops to guarantee order at the oil-fields.

THE ITALIAN EARTHQUAKE.

King Victor Emmanuel's Account.

HORROR AND ANGUISH.

King Victor Emmanuel, in an interview with the Premier, said he had brought back from Calabria a vision of horror and anguish which no imagination could conceive and no pen describe. He relied on the Government and the Nation to help in redeeming his promises made to the sufferers.

LONDON, SEPT. 18.

The erection of huts and other measures of relief are proceeding actively in the earthquake districts in Italy. The difficulties are enormous owing to the great distances, the hilly nature of the country and dearth of workmen.

THE RISING IN EAST AFRICA.

LONDON, SEPT. 17.

The Governor of German East Africa reports risings in two more districts.

FORTIFICATION OF THE BOSPHORUS.

Russia Offended.

LONDON, SEPT. 18.

Fortifications are being rapidly constructed in the Bosphorus as the result of the scare which was occasioned by the Potemkin mutiny. This is causing great displeasure to Russia who it is understood has already protested.

THE MOROCCO QUESTION.

Protest against German Procrastination.

The delay in the Franco-German negotiations over Morocco has evoked a strong protest from "Le Temps" which complains of the German procrastination.

THE SCOTTISH VOLUNTEERS.

Review by the King at Edinburgh.

His Majesty the King to-day reviewed forty thousand Scottish Volunteers in the King's Park at Edinburgh in favourable weather. There were hundreds of thousands of spectators and the surroundings most picturesque.

ACCIDENT TO SIR T. LIPTON.

Sir Thomas Lipton who was riding past the King at the head of the second, Lanark Engineers, was thrown from his horse and kicked in the face, but his inpries are not serious.

DURAND FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.

ROYAL DRAGOONS vs. BLACK WATCH.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

SIMLA, SEPT. 18.

The weather to-day was fine and a fair gathering of spectators watched the game between the Royal Dragoons and the Black Watch. The Dragoons won by two goal to love in a fast game. In the first half, the Dragoons played up hill and the exchanges were even. The Scotchmen made a number of dangerous rushes, and Yule on one occasion narrowly missed scoring, while Livingston and Esson proved tower's strength in the back line whenever the Englishmen pressed. Half time was called when the ball was in a very dangerous proximity to the Dragoons' goal.

On resuming the Dragoons had an advantage of the hill, but for a quarter of an hour the struggle continued a level one neither goal-keeper being idle. After twenty minutes play the ball was worked down on the Dragoons left wing and Edwards beats the Black Watch goal-keeper with a long hard shot, the game thus standing at one goal to love in favour of the Cavalry. The Black Watch made a great effort and nearly succeeded in equalising, but close upon time Esson, who had throughout been playing a fine game for the Dragoons, got possession of the ball in a melee in front of the Black Watch goal and by neat bit of passing from the left and succeeded in scoring a second time; the Royal Dragoons thus winning by two goals to nothing.

PROLONGED PERIODS OF IMPRISONMENT.

PROPOSED REDUCTION TO FOURTEEN YEARS.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

SIMLA, SEPT. 18.

In its letter No. 3898, dated the 5th December 1902, the Government of the United Provinces has brought to the notice of the Government of India a number of cases, in which prisoners had been sentenced to various periods of imprisonment for different crimes and in separate trials the aggregate of such sentences amounting to twenty years' rigorous imprisonment and over. The Lieutenant Governor pointed out that as the law stands there is nothing to prevent a person from being sentenced at different trials to prolonged periods of imprisonment, and he contrasted this with the principle which the penal law elsewhere contemplates that rigorous imprisonment should not ordinarily extend over a greater period than fourteen years. His Honour was disposed to think that the most humane course would be to transport such persons to the Andamans, but recognising that such a course could not legally be adopted since the law does not permit the commutation to transportation of a sentence of imprisonment once passed, he suggested that on the expiry of fourteen years of the aggregated sentence, cases of this kind should be submitted by the prison authorities to the local Government who would then consider whether the whole or any portion of the remaining period should be remitted in the exercise of the powers conferred by Section 401 of the Criminal Procedure Code. His Honour was of opinion that the period of imprisonment thus fixed ought in no case to exceed twenty years.

The Government of India upon a consideration of those representations were disposed to agree that though the legislature by limiting the term of imprisonment to be awarded at one trial to fourteen years had indicated an opinion that longer terms of punishment should take the form of transportation, it was not possible without an alteration of the law to provide that convicts sentenced to long terms of imprisonment should be transferred to the Andamans and then be treated as if they had been sentenced to transportation. They regarded it however, as undesirable on general grounds that prisoners should be confined in Indian jails for such protracted periods as those to which the Government of the United Provinces had referred. They concurred with that Government in thinking that such cases might be most conveniently dealt with by the exercise of the powers of remission conferred by Section 401 of the Code of Criminal Procedure and suggested that when persons guilty of heinous crime released in pursuance of the policy proposed it should be a condition of release that they should reside in a specified locality under police supervision. Before passing final orders, however, they decided to consult other Governments and Administrations on the proposals and in particular they aked (1) for an expression of opinion whether such cases should be taken into consideration at the expiry of fourteen years as suggested by the United Provinces Government or on completion of twenty or twenty-five years according to the nature of the offence as is done in the case of convicts transported to Port Blair, and (2) for information as to the number of prisoners actually undergoing cumulative sentences of imprisonment aggregating over fourteen years. Finally they suggested that if on enquiry it should appear that there existed a tendency on the part of the Courts to refrain from passing sentences of transportation on hardened offenders in whose cases such punishment is specially appropriate, steps should be taken in consultation with the High Judicial authorities in each province to correct it. The majority of the authorities consulted are in favour of the proposal of the United Provinces Government and would direct that when the term of imprisonment together with any remission earned under the rules amounts to fourteen years, the question of remitting the remainder of the sentence should be raised.

The Governor-General in Council accordingly is pleased to direct that this rule shall be ordinarily adopted in future. He would not, however, lay down that such prisoners must always be released at the end of fourteen years' imprisonment and it will still be open to and indeed incumbent on, the local Government to take into consideration when deciding the remission to be granted the circumstances of each case, the character of the convicts, crimes, his conduct in prison and the probability of his reverting to criminal habits or instigating others to commit crime. It would also rest with them to prescribe as a condition of release that the convict shall during the term of punishment remitted be subject to police supervision or other suitable condition. Such a system has in fact been enforced for some years in Madras in respect of ordinary prisoners while the Government of Bombay have adopted similar treatment in the case of prisoners sentenced to transportation, but who are for special reasons not sent to the Andamans.

In a subsequent communication the Government of the United Provinces has raised the question of the treatment to be accorded to prisoners undergoing life sentences of transportation coupled with term of sentences either of transportation or imprisonment. The point had already been discussed on a reference from the Central Provinces Administration in 1902 and in the orders passed thereon which were communicated to other local Governments on the 11th October 1902 it was said that in such cases it was for the local Government to consider whether the men should be released after twenty or twenty-five years according to the nature of the offence, From the principle now enunciated that the period of detention in an Indian jail should not ordinarily exceed the maximum term of rigorous imprisonment that the law contemplates, namely fourteen yeas, it follows that the term in these cases should be taken at fourteen and not at twenty or twety-five years. The orders of October 1902 will be modified accordingly. The case of those prisoners who have been sentenced to transportation for life but who are for special reasons (such as debility or age) not transported, which has been raised by some of the local Governments consulted has the Government of India think, been sufficiently provided for by the Home Department Circular, dated the 31st January 1883. It was there left to the local Governments to decide after what length of time the sentences should be remitted in the case of prisoners of this class. The practice which is reported to be followed in Bombay of releasing such prisoners is, the Government of India presume, based on these orders. They appear sufficiently to dispose of the point. It remains only to observe with reference to the question whether the courts, as a whole, deal adequately with habitual offenders. The inquiry has shown that in most Provinces their sentences are appropriate and that wherever there existes tendency to award cumulative sentences of imprisonment rather than transportation steps have been taken to correct it.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE IN-COMING MAIL.

ADEN, SEPT. 17.

The P. and O. Company's steamer Peninsular, with the English mails of the 8th instant, left here for Bombay at 9 p.m. to-day. The same Company's steamer Mongolia left for Colombo and Australia at 10 p.m. to-day.

SUICIDE OF CAPTAIN HOLBROOKE, D. A. A. G.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

POONA, SEPT. 18.

Captain Holbrooke, Deputy Assistant Adjutant General, Western Command, was found dead in his bed between 12 and 1 this morning. The deceased officer was in the best of health and spirits up to eleven o'clock last night. He was at the Gymkhana Club at seven in the evening previous, and nothing was noticed there either in his conduct or speech to infer that he meant to adopt a rash measure on his return home. He dined well and cheerfully in company with Mrs. Holbrooke and Mrs. Street, the wife of Major Street R. A. M. C., who came up from Bombay, a few days ago, to be a guest of the Holbrookes. He retired in good spirits, but at the hour mentioned Mrs. Holbrooke found him dead in his bed. Colonel Ball I. M. S. was instantly sent for, but, of course, it was too late. The body was removed to the Ghorpuri Station Hospital the next morning where Lieutenant Stanger Leathes performed the post mortem.

An inquest on the body was held by Major Field, Cantonment Magistrate when Mrs. Holbrooke, Mrs. Street, Colonel Ball and Lieutenant Lewis, R.A.M.C., were examined and the verdict suspended.

The deceased was an exceedingly popular officer in Poona and as an all round sportsman he stood in the front rank. He always took a prominent part in the Poona Hunt. He was an ardent Freemason, having been the immediate past Master of the Lodge Orion in the West and Junior Warden of the Mallet and Chisel, Poona. He obtained his first commission as Lieutenant in the Gloucestershire Regiment on the 28th August 1886; was appointed an adjutant on 16th June 1894 to 4th May 1897, he was also with West Yorkshire Regiment up to 28th August 1897. He was temporary D. A. A. G., India, from July to August 1900 and was appointed to D. A. A. G. head-quarters, Western Command, on 21st April 1902. He was a brilliant military assayist. He leaves a widow and three children.

LATER.

The inquest gave a verdict on the body of Captain Holbrook that he committed suicide by taking a dose of poison while temporarily insane.

The funeral was held in the evening and was largely attended. Nearly 200 officers were assembled at cross roads. A company of East Lancashire Regiment furnished the firing party. The body was placed on a gun carriage supplied by the 29th Battery, Royal Feld Artillary. The body was received at the gate of cemetery by the Rev. Dalessio. The band played the funeral march. At the conclusion three volleys were fired over the grave. There was a large number of wreaths amongst them being those sent by H. E. the Governor, General Wodehouse and officers of the Command Staff Brigadier-General and Mrs. Gressfield the clerical staff of the Western Command office. Mr. and Mrs Du Boulay, Colonel and Mrs. W. Allen, Colonel and Mrs. Carey and Officers, The East Lancashires, Colonel Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton and others.

PROJECTED NEW LINES OF RAILWAY.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

SIMLA, SEPT. 18.

The Government of India have under consideration the proposals for the construction of a two feet six inch Railway from Aden to Nobat Dakim via Lahej, also for a railway from Aden to Skeikh Othman and Dhala.

The following are some other new railway projects—(1) A line in connection with Messrs Tata and Sons' scheme for the iron and steel works from Gurumaishyn hill Mourbhanj State via Chaibassa to a point an Bengal-Nagpur Railway near Sini; the Bengal Nagpur Railway have undertaken survey of this line. (2) A line now under survey to connect Moulmein with Wagaru. (3) a line from Pyinmana to Magwe which the Burma Government have been authorised to construct from Local Funds to provide useful work in case famine should occur in adjoining dry zone districts, (4) the Santipur-Kalna extension for for which detailed estimates are nowbeing prepared under orders of the Government of India; (5) a line which the the Bahawalpur Durbar proposed to construct from Khanpur on North-Western Railway to Chachran on the Indus with steam ferry between latter place and Mithankot, this project is under the consideration of the Government of India; (6) lines under survey by the Oudh and Rohilkhand Railway to connect (a) Balamau and Sitapur and (b) Rohn and Bakharpur which are shown by preliminary enquiries made by Government agency to be likely to yield a good return upon capital cost; (7) a metre gauge line now under survey between the main line and the Harihar branch of the Southern Mahratta Railway which is to form a link in the future direct metre gauge connection between Northern and Hotgi, beside supplying a branch to the Dharwar gold field. Another line given as a new project in the histories of Railway projects for the current year is the Bangalore Chikballapur light Railway, but no application has been made to the Railway Board for the construction of this undertaking.

CRICKET AT POONA.

GANESHKHIND VS PATEL'S XI.

LORD LAMINGTON IN THE TEAM.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

POONA, SEPT. 18.

The annual cricket match between Mr. Patel's Eleven versus Ganeshkhind was played to-day and resulted in a win for Patel's by 17 runs. Scores :—

GANESHKHIND.

1st Innings.

Major Carnegy, b Mullaji	4
Capt Greig, c Tyabji, b Mullaji	8
Capt Cadogan, b Vakil	3
Capt Wolfe Murray, c Tyabji, b Vakil	5
Capt Kearsey, c Vakil, b P Vakil	15
Col Stevens, c Tyabji, b Vakil	0
Col Kavanagh, b Mullaji	1
Lieut Plumer, b Mullaji	15
Mr Du Boulay, b Mullaji	21
Capt Bayford, b Mullaji	1
Capt Gray, b Mullaji	13
H E Lord Lamington, not out	0
Extras	3
Total	86

PATEL'S ELEVEN.

1st Innings.

Sanjana, b Stevens	9
Parekh, b-b-w b Bayford	41
P H Vakil, b Stevens	5
Tajabji, run out	0
Commissariatwalla, b Stevens	0
V Wadia, b Greig	5
Sathe, c Kearsey, b Carnegy	3
A H Wadia, b Stevens	5
Patel b Stevens	7
Mullaji not out	14
R Vakil, b Murray	6
Extras	5
Total	103

As time was left Ganeshkind went in for the second innings and made 50.

GANESHKHIND.

2nd Innings.

H E Lord Lamington, b Commissariatwalla	2
Greig, b Mullaji	20
Murray, b Mullaji	4
Kearsey, not out	2
Extras	6
Total	50

FOOTBALL IN BOMBAY.

ROVERS' ASSOCIATION TOURNAMENT.

(SEMI-FINAL ROUND.)

ARGYLL AND SUTHERLAND HIGHLANDERS vs. SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS.

The first game in the semi-final round of the Rovers' Tournament last evening between the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders and the Seaforth Highlanders attracted a larger crowd than any yet seen at the Tournament, it being anticipated that the game would furnish the closest contest witnessed in the Tournament so far. There were good grounds for this supposition as on the form displayed by both teams in the earlier rounds; there was nothing to choose between them and had they not met in the semi-final both would probably have entered the final. The game, however, furnished a great surprise the Seaforths winning very easily by three goals to nil. The combination shown by the Argylls was very disappointing and in no position of the field were their players seen to advantage barring their centre forward who did two men's work. The Seaforths played a solid game and with forwards vastly superior to those of their opponents the game was somewhat one-sided.

DETAILS.

Argylls kicked off from Bundstand and at 5-14 and inside right dribbled ball up to opponents' end sending it behind. A rush by the Seaforth forwards changed the venue of play to Argylls' end, the latter's custodian being called upon the save from a shot sent in by the inside left. Immediately after another shot by the centre forward was well handed out. Even exchanges in midfield followed. The Argylls' outside left gained some ground, but a minute later the Seaforths' outside left carried ball down the ground and centreing well the centre forward sent in a shot which the right back missed and the goalkeeper failed to save, the first score being made five minutes after the start. From the kick off some give and take play followed, then the Argyll pressing the centre forward sent in a shot which was kicked clear by left back. An exchange of long kicks left play in midfield and then the Seaforths pressing carried the ball down to their opponents' end where the Argylls' backs returned the pressure by some good kicking. Some up-and-down play found the ball near the Argylls' goal, kick by the centre forward sending it behind. Another attack by the Seaforths was pulled up by the referee's whistle for "offside." The next few minutes saw the venue of play in midfield, then the Argylls had an opening and their outside right gaining a lot of ground only being brought up close to Seaforths' penalty area. The ball did not remain long in Seaforths' territory, the forwards taking ball very shortly after to the other end where some exciting play ensued in front of goal. Up-and-down play followed and then the Seaforths' outside left sent in a shot which went behind. After an invasion of Seaforth territory the Argylls' outside right had a splendid opportunity of scoring, but poor shooting spoilt it. For the next five minutes the Argylls continued to press, then the Seaforths getting away obtained a corner and from the kcep cut the inside right sent the ball into the net scoring the second goal for his side. The score at half time was as follows :—

Seaforth Highlanders ..... 2 Goals.
A. and S. Highlanders ..... Nil.

Play was confined to midfield for a few seconds after the kick off, then the Seaforths pressing kicked behind. For the next five minutes the Seaforths never allowed the ball outside their opponents' territory; then the Argylls' forwards changed the venue of play to the Seaforths' end, a kick by the backs going behind. Even exchanges in midfield followed and a pretty bit of combined play by the Argylls' inside left and centre culminated in a shot which just cleared the crossbar. The Argylls continuing to press had a corner conceded to them, but the kick being badly placed nothing resulted. The Seaforths now assumed the aggressive and transferred play to their opponents' end two shots in rapid succession going over the crossbar. Raising the siege, the Argylls attacked strongly but were checked by the good kicking of their opponents' backs. A minute later the Seaforths again got away, the inside left sending in a stinging shot which found the net and registered the third goal for his side. Two minutes afterwards the Seaforths inside right had an easy chance, but the shot a poor one, went over the crossbar. The Seaforths continued to press to the end full time piping with the score :—

Seaforth Highlanders ..... 3 Goals
A. and S. Highlanders ..... Nil

The following were the teams :—

A. AND S. HIGHLANDERS.		SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS.
Pte Mullen Goal-keeper.		Pte Fairbairn Goal-keeper.
Ballantyne right	Backs	Pte Thomson rigdt
Sergt Markoy left		Pte Macpherson left
Mcmillan right	1/2 Backs	Pte Stevenson right
Lapsley centre		Pte Tulloch centre
MacLean left		Pte Norton left
Flemming outside right	Forwards	Pte McNamara outside right
Weight inside right		Pte Lonnie inside right
Quinn centre		Pte Douglas centre
Galbraith outside left		Pte Murdoch outside left
Mowitt inside left		Pte Drummond inside left

THE MASONIC BALL AT SIMLA.

WRITING on Tuesday last a correspondent says :—The Annual Masonic ball was held as usual in the Town Hall which was tastefully decorated with festoons of variecoloured butter muslin. The rails of the gallery were draped with the same stuff, various Masonic devices being displayed. The space under the gallery was divided up by beautiful carved screens in charming lounges from which the dancers could be surveyed by the non-actives. Punctually at 9-40 Sir Denzil and Lady Ibbetson arrived and were escorted up a lane formed by a double row of marvellously apparelled Masons to a dais at the far end of the ball room whilst ten minutes later their Excellencies the Viceroy and Lady Curzon preceded by the Ushers bearing wands advanced up to the dais before which the Knights of the various orders, forming the Masonic Guard of Honour commanded by the Very Eminent Knight, Major M. Cowper, had formed an Arch of Steel with their crossed swords. On the arrival of their Excellencies the State Lancers were commenced. The Viceroy and Lady Curzon dancing in the "Lodge Kitchener" set and Sir Denzil and Lady Ibbetson in the "Lodge Himalayan" Brotherhood under whose banner the ball was held. After the 8th dance supper commenced and although there were many more guests than the supper room could hold at one time there was no hitch or delay in the serving. Their Excellencies left soon after supper, while dancing was energetically kept up till 3 a.m.

POONA RACQUET TOURNAMENT.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

POONA, SEPT 18

The following are results of to-day's Racquet handicap singles:—Mr. Reynard, 13th Lancers beat Captain Lewis, 4th Queen's Hussars by 2 games to one, Mr. Lyon S. and T. Corps beat Mr. Wicks, Seaforth Highlanders, by 2 games to one; Major Vaughan, 10th Hussars, beat Mr. Hartley, 93rd Highlanders by 2 games to one.

The second round in handicap singles was won by Mr. Raynard beating Mr. Lyon by 2 games to one.

THE Directors of Public Instruction who are assembled in conference in Simla having invited his Excellency the Viceroy to attend one of their meetings in farewell, His Excellency has consented to be present on Wednesday next at noon, and will address the conference on the educational reforms of the past few years.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

THE following are excerpts from the proceedings of a meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay, held on the 5th September :—

Read letter from the Secretaries, Bombay Association of Fire Insurance Agents, dated 3rd October 1904, reporting that the attention of their Committee has been drawn to the fact that at a fire which took place at Carnac Bunder Central Road on the 20th August 1904, in an open shed belonging to the Port Trust; it was necessary to use nearly 2,000 feet of hose in order to get water on to the fire; observing that there are no hydrants on the east side of Frere Road and on the south side of the Docks in that locality, and that as a large quantity of merchandise is stored in the godowns on Carnac Bunder and in the sheds on the wharves eastward, it would appear that some further protection in that district is very desirable; adding that there are no doubt certain hydrants enclosed within the the Dock walls, but it is understood they are not readily accessible as the Dock gates are closed at night.

Read letter from the Chief Engineer, dated 9th March 1905, proposing that as the existing 5" main on Carnac Bunder is very old, a new 5" main be laid along the centre roadway with hydrants to Municipal pattern fitted at intervals as shown in red on plan No. 6198-1 and also that 3" branch mains fitted with hydrants be laid at intervals on Mody Bunder and connected to the existing 5" main in Jamnagger street as shown on the plan at a total estimated cost of Rs. 6,901 excluding engineering, and recommending that the Chief of the Municipal Fire Brigade be asked to give the Trustees the benefit of his opinion on the proposed scheme before it is finally settled.

Read letter from the Municipal Commissioner, No. 156, dated 28th July 1905, forwarding copies of the reports by the Chief Officer, Municipal Fire Brigade, and the Executive Engineer on the subject, the former suggesting that the hydrants be laid less than three hundred feet apart, and the latter expressing the opinion that since the Trustees propose to lay an entirely new 5" main along Carnac Bunder Central Road, it would prove advantageous to pick up the existing 5" main for a length of about 220 feet from its junction with the 9" Municipal main in Frere Road up to the proposed 3" branch to the new engine house and relay the portion with new 5" pipes.

Read letter from the Deputy Engineer, dated 22nd August 1905; forwarding an amended plan, with detailed estimates amounting to a total of Rs. 8 556 for the work if carried out on the lines suggested by the Officers of the Municipality; observing that there will be an increase of Rs.1,765 on the original estimate prepared by him, but it will make the system very complete on the Carnac and Mody Bunders, and recomending that the amount be sanctioned

Resolution.—The plan and estimate, the latter amounting to Rs. 8,994 including engineering charges are sanctioned. The work should be included in the next loan and should be included in the Supplement ary Budget, the expenditure being provided for from balances, pending the raising of the loan. The sanction of Government should be applied for under section 56 of the Act.

STANDARD TIME.

Read letter to the Chairman, dated 31st August 1905, from Mr. P. R. Cadell, I.C.S., saying that he desire to move at the next meeting of the Board the following Resolution :—That in the opinion of this Board the adoption of Standard Time in Bombay is desirable, and that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Government of Bombay.

Submitted Trustees' Resolution, dated 20th September 1904, deciding in the matter of a reference made to the Trustees by Government in August 1904 on the subject of Standard Time, that—The Board believing that a change in the local time would be inconvenient to the Mercantile and Shipping Communities and to the public generally, are unable to approve the proposal of Government.

The Chairman, referring to the motion proposed by Mr. Cadell, said it seemed to him that the Trustees should consider the subject as Trustees from the standpoint of the working of the Trust, that a resolution affirming approval to the proposal required some strong justification, whereas the working at the Docks and Bunders would not so far as could be seen be benefitted, by the change, and that, in view of the previous opinion expressed by the Board in September 1904 it seemed to him that if the Trustees desire to move further owing to the recent change of opinion among the Mercantile Community as expressed by the Chamber of Commerce, the opinion based on what was previously believed to be the general feeling should simply be withdrawn and Government should be informed :—"That in view of the recent expression of the views of the Chamber of Commerce, the Board wish to withdraw their previous disapproval of the proposal to adopt Standard Time."

After discussion Mr. Cadell preferred to adhere to his motion, and the Chairman's proposal was therefore put to the meeting as an amendment and was lost by a majority, 4 voting in its favour and 7 against.

Mr. Cadell's motion was then put to the meeting and carried, 8 voting in its favour and 4 against.

Resolution.—In the opinion of the Board the adoption of Standard Time in Bombay is desirable, and a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Government of Bombay.

MOTORS IN THE DOCKS.

Submitted Trustees' Resolution, dated 22nd August, 1905, directing that the papers on the question regarding admission of motor vehicles in the Port Trust Docks should be referred to the Docks Committee for a draft amendment of the By-law recently passed by the Board excluding motor vehicles from the Docks.

Read the following extract from the proceedings of a meeting of the Docks Committee held on the 31st August :—"The Chairman explained that he had ascertained that both the Docks Superintendent and the Superintendent of Police at the Docks considered it would be objectionable to allow ordinary motors into the Docks on the grounds of the frequently congested state of the wharves and dock roadsand of the hindrance they would prove to the ordinary traffic. It was agreed to advise the Board to adopt the Regulations in force in the London and India Docks with suitable modifications making them applicable to motor lorries only."

Resolution—The recommendations of the Docks Committee are approved. Government should be asked to approve of the following By-law being substituted for By-law No. 105 A :—No. 105 A (i.) No motor vehicle except motor lorries shall be driven along or upon any of the roads or wharves within the enclosure of any Dock or be allowed within any such enclosure except, when brought for purposes of exportation or importation. (2) Motor lorries may be admitted to the Dock premises subject to the following regulations :—(i.) Under no circumstances is a motor lorry to be left unattended. (ii.) No motor lorry is to run at a rate exceeding four miles an hour. (iii.) As a general rule motor lorries are to be confined to roads in the Docks. They are not to use any other part of the Dock premises except with the express permission of the Dock Superintendent or his Agent. Under no circumstances is a motor lorry to enter any warehouse, shed, or other building. No motor lorry is to be allowed to remain on the Dock premises longer than is necessary in the opinion of the Dock Superintendent or his Agent. (iv.) Motor lorries in which Petrol or other Liquid Fuel is used for internal combustion are to be fitted with Electrical Ignition only, and the recharging of Petrol or other Liquid Fuel is not to be done on the premises. (v.) Steam-driven lorries burning Solid Fuel are to use Coal or Coke only, and the following conditions are to be observed :—(a) If the boiler is "underfed" it is to be provided with a metal footplate fitted close to the front of the furnace and turned up not less than three inches on all sides. (b) The ash-box to be so constructed that it can be entirely enclosed, and the air draught to be controlled by a separate damper above the level of the fire bars. (c) An efficient spark-arrester and baffle-plates at base of funnel, to be provided. (d) No stoking to be done except on the main roads. (e) Whilst on the Dock premises no "clinkering" to be done; no ashes or cinders to be removed; and the ash-box to be kept entirely closed. Steam blast not to be used. Copies of the draft should be forwarded to the Chamber of Commerce and the Bombay Fire Insurance Association.

PILOTAGE STATEMENT.

	For week ending 19th Sept 1905.	Total from 1st April to 19th September.	For week ending 18th Sept 1904.	Total from 1st April to 18th Sept 1904.
Vessels piloted into harbour.	22	433	20	479
Do. " out of "	18	505	23	483
Do. transported	14	269	10	309
Do. attended to	—	33	2	23
Do. warped	3	24	—	5

As the tenure of office of the Non-Official Additional Members of the Madras Legislative Council expires on the 8th December, each District Board and each Municipality in the Northern and Southern Groups has been requested by Government to select a person for nomination as Additional Member of the Council. The date for the meeting of the delegates will be fixed on receipt of the nominations.

H. E. THE Governor of Madras leaves Ootacamund on the afternoon of Monday, the 25th instant, on tour to Cochin and will return on the morning of Wednesday, the 4th proximo. His Excellency's arrival and departure will be private. The party accompanying the Governor consists of Major W. M. Campbell, Military Secretary, Major W. Molesworth, I.M.S., Surgeon to his Excellency, and Captain E. L. Popham, A.D.C.

SPORT IN ENGLAND.

The Champion County.

THE INTERNATIONAL FOURSOME.

ATHLETICS AND CYCLING.

LONDON, SEPT. 1.

By drawing their match at Leyton, on Saturday, Yorkshire once more secure the county cricket championship. That they thoroughly deserve the honour Lancashire cricketers will be the first to admit. Lord Hawke and his colleagues, if they have not carried all before them as in 1900, have shown such fine recuperative powers since Whit-Week—when they lost two of their three lost games—that the championship has seemed always open to them. Once or twice, as at Sheffield in the first innings against Lancashire and again against Essex last week, there have been lapses, but there has always been the power of recovery behind it all, and the Yorkshire team certainly must be hailed the finest in the country to-day. Their superiority lies in their all-round excellence. Comparisons may be odious, but Lancashire enthusiasts must surely deplore their inability to find all-round cricketers of the calibre of Jackson, Hirst, Rhodes, and Haigh. The three first named have accomplished wonderful feats for Yorkshire, not only in this, the seventh year of their championship, but in the years that are gone. Perhaps Lord Hawke does not greatly concern himself with averages, but even he must view with pride the high places occupied by his colleagues in the batting and bowling average tables. Hirst, the hero of Saturday's "stonewalling" exploit, for example, is second only to C. B. Fry as batsman, with an average of 61; and he is not far down the bowling list, with an analysis of 31 for 88 wickets. Haigh and Rhodes occupy two of the three first places in bowling.

It is not to be wondered at that the Tykes have won the championship. That they should ever have lost it with such a splendid combination and with such recruiting agencies as they have in Yorkshire is surprising. Their strength is again seen in their ability to fill in the gaps which must necessarily occur among the players. Rothery, Rhigrees, Myers, and now Dolphin, their new wicket-keeper, would appear to have fully established themselves in the team. A comparison between the new champions and the old is not altogether favourable to Lancashire. A. C. MacLaren tells us that Lancashire's weakness is to be found in her bowling. There are many who will agree with him. Had it not been for Brearley—about whose inclusion in the team there was so much doubt at the beginning of the season, and as to whose presence in the team next season there is even more doubt—Lancashire would not have occupied the second place in the championship table to-day. Brearley, as a matter of fact, has frequently carried the side on his broad shoulders, and it is matter for regret, though not altogether a surprise, that his great exertions have begun to tell on his health. But it is not alone the need of variety in the bowling which has been the cause of Lancashire's deposition. One is tempted to ask, in comparing the Lancashire team with that of Yorkshire, where the Lancashire batting champions stand in the table. Tyldesley and L.O.S. Poidevin alone are prominent, and if we take the last few matches it cannot be said that the batting has been overwhelmingly superior to the bowling. It is at least gratifying to know that a serious attempt has been made to grapple with the problem of strengthening the attack of late. People are now wondering what is to be the future of Cook and Huddleston, the two Lancashire League bowlers who have been latterly pressed into the service.

In bidding good-bye to the championship, Lancastrians will find some consolation in the struggle of the Yorkshiremen at Leyton on Saturday. It was in many ways on parallel lines with their own effort to avert defeat at Leeds last year when defeat would have meant so much to them. Some of us remember that tedious day's cricket, when, a win being out of the question, MacLaren, Hornby, and Poidevin played with such extreme patience as to rouse the anger of many Yorkshire partisans. One recalls the incident of an enthusiastic onlooker—a Yorkshireman, of course—who created some amusement by asking aloud why the [illegible] "make runs or get out," and the rather sad response of a quick-witted Lancashire spectator that the batsmen were playing for Lancashire and not for Yorkshire. Had the Yorkshireman in question been at Leyton on Saturday he must have felt grateful that Yorkshire had such sturdy "stonewallers" as Tunnicliffe and Hirst. Three and a half hours of Tunnicliffe for 59 runs and five hours of Hirst for 90 runs! One can only wonder at and admire such self-restraint. Yorkshire has had wonderful succession of great cricketers and the strain is being continued in Rhodes and the youngsters who have put their foot on the ladder of fame this season. Essex so often despised would certainly have had good reason to be proud of themselves if they had vanquished Yorkshire in addition to the Australians.

The Middlesex match on Saturday at Old Trafford ended in a rather disappointing draw. After the rain on Friday night there was all the promise of some sporting play, but unfortunately the rain set in again on Saturday morning and came down so heavily on the already broken pitch that at midday both MacLaren and M'Gregor agreed that the wicket could not recover sufficiently to allow any chance of concluding the match. The game was therefore abandoned. It was a pity, for the afternoon turned out to be a delightful one, and some exciting cricket might have been seen. The abandoned match against Middlesex reopens the question of the expediency of making arrangements to finish in advance of the customary hour. It is not often that we get a full Saturday afternoon of first-class cricket, and to stop the game at five o'clock, as had been arranged in the Middlesex match, virtually meant that no cricket was possible. Of course the heavy rainfall in the morning necessarily meant delay at starting, but with the hours of play curtailed in any event there was perhaps justification for the early decision to abandon the match.

Lancashire is now effectually out of the running for the championship, for though Yorkshire have yet to meet Sussex a reverse, a win, or a draw can make no difference. The Lancashire team, on the other hand, have to see to it that in the only remaining match in the championship tournament that remains to them they do not endanger the place which Sussex is ready to occupy. A victory by Sussex at Brighton and a loss by Lancashire at Old Trafford this week would reverse the relative positions of the two counties in the "position" table, and there will be many good Lancastrians who, seeing their county deposed from the leadership, will hope that at least the second place may be retained. The Old Trafford season, excellent and enjoyable as it has been in many ways, closes with the match against Leicestershire which begins to-day. The two sides usually meet at the beginning and again at the end of each season. Since they last opposed each other Leicestershire have discovered a most promising bowler in Jayes, who has in the interval secured over hundred wickets. His first appearance at Old Trafford should arouse considerable interest.

Only two matches were brought to a finish yesterday out of the seven which began on Monday, or should have begun. At Blackpool, thanks to splendid bowling by Hallam, the North defeated the South very easily, and at the Oval the Northamptonshire eleven failed badly twice and were beaten by an innings and 124 runs, thanks to a bad wicket, some exceedingly good bowling by Crawford and Smith, and remarkably fine fielding. Altogether Crawford took eleven wickets for 44 runs, while in the second innings Smith had the amazing record of seven wickets for nine runs. Another good innings by Fry enabled Sussex to draw their match with Yorkshire easily enough, but Gloucester only saved their game with the Australians by the narrowest of margins.

Fine weather favoured the opening of the last county match at Brighton yesterday. Sussex played Latham for Cheesman, and Essex J. Freeman for Russell. Winning the toss, Sussex made a good start, Fry and Vine sending up the 50 in forty-five minutes without loss. Fry completed 50 out of 72 in

sixty-five minutes, and the 100 went up twenty minutes later. At 118, however, Fry was run out by Perris. The partnership lasted an hour and three-quarters. Fry's chief hits being three 4's and nine 2's. Luncheon was then taken. When play was resumed Killick joined Vine, and very soon began to score freely, chiefly by means of splendidly-timed cuts and well-placed strokes to leg. In fifty minutes, he made 44, while Vine was getting 18. The two batsmen added 86 in seventy minutes, Vine having batted two hours and fifty minutes. Killick was fifth out at 223, after a stay of ninety minutes. He hit nine 4's. Latham was bowled at 238, and at that point an interval was taken for tea. The game was resumed at five o'clock, Cox joining Relf, but with three runs added Cox was clean bowled. Relf and Simms then stayed together, Relf playing with unnecessary care. They added 35 in half an hour, but Sussex were all out at 5-55 for a total of 290. Stumps were then drawn for the day.

Dull weather prevailed at the Oval yesterday. Winning the toss the Surrey captain decided to put Kent in, the wicket being soft. Dillon and Hearne scored 27 for the first wicket, and Seymour left six runs later. S. Day stayed with Hearne, and 49 runs were added in forty minutes. Then Hearne, after a stay of seventy minutes, was leg before. Day and Mason sent up the 100 in ninety minutes. On resuming after the interval Mason was out at 133, and Day sixteen runs later. Day was batting an hour and three-quarters, and hit six 4's his only mistake being a hard chance at the wicket at 53. The last five wickets went down before the bowling of Smith and Knox for 53. A. P. Day was batting forty minutes for 24. Surrey went in at 4-35. Holland was easily caught and bowled at 13; while Hayes was out in the next over, Hayward was caught and bowled at 17, but Baker and Hobbs took the score to 41. Then Hobbs was taken at slip. Baker was batting just over half an hour for 23, being fifth out at 51.

The weather was beautifully fine when the first match of the Bournemouth festival, was entered upon yesterday morning. The Englishmen won the toss, and went in first, but the start was a bad one, Grace being bowled with only three runs on the board. Fishwick and Braund added 85 in forty-five minutes before the former left, and at 93 Braund, who was batting an hour, and hit seven 4's was bowled. At lunch time the score stood at 155 for five. On resuming only 14 runs had been added, when Cuffe was bowled. Arnold was leg before at 190, having batted in faultless style for an hour and a quarter. After Arnold left no one offered any resistance, and the innings closed at 3.35 for 229. Howell took five wickets for 34 runs. Darling and Trumper opened the Australian innings, and 58 runs were scored in thirty-five minutes before the former was bowled by a yorker. Trumper was caught at cover point at the second attempt at 107, having scored 52 in sixty-five minutes. He had hit a 5, and seven 4's. Hill was caught at mid-on at 140. He was batting fifty minutes.

The second match of the Blackpool Festival was favoured by pleasant weather and an improved attendance. The wicket had recovered considerably, and A. O. Jones, the English captain, had no hesitation in electing to bat, sending in C. J. B. Wood and Kinneir to face the bowling of Brearley and Hallows. Fifty were scored in forty five minutes, and 100 in an hour and forty minutes. Three wickets had fallen at 61, four at 92, and five at 103. After lunch Lawton hit out vigorously, and twice drove Hallows over the rails for six. He was clean bowled, however, in making another attempt. Eight wickets were down for 154. J. Gunn completed his 50 after batting an hour and a half, but was bowled two balls later. Hallam was bowled first ball, and the innings closed a 4-5 for 193. MacLaren and Garnett opened the Lancashire innings to the bowling of J. Gunn and Warren. MacLaren forced the game, punishing Gunn in one over for a six and two 4's. He completed his 50 out of 74 in three-quarters of an hour. The first wicket fell at 94. MacLaren was leg before to G. Gunn with the total at 140, having scored 93 in brilliant style in an hour and a half.

Yesterday's play at Troon produced an extraordinary change in the state of the big golf foursom, between Harry Vardon and J. H. Taylor, England, and James Braid and Alexander Herd, Scotland As the result of most interesting golf at St. Andrews a week ago, Vardon and Taylor started yesterday morning with a deficit of two holes. This disadvantage they wiped out in the first eight holes and at the end of the morning round they were four holes in hand. At the turn in the second round they had doubled their advantage, and gaining another four holes coming home, they finished with the enormous lead of 12 holes on the match. Vardon played good golf, but Taylor's brilliant approaching was the feature of the game. Braid played below his proper form, whilst Herd, who was troubled with a sprained knee, was uncertain. The greens, which were rather slow, suited the Englishmen's game. About 9,000 spectators witnessed the match.

A VERY OLD TREE.

ALLEGED TO BE A HINDRANCE TO HIGH-WAY TRAFFIC.

MR. WILLIAM ANTHONY Glynn a Justice of the Peace and Deputy Lieutenant of the County has been summoned at the Isle of Wight County Petty Session by the surveyor to the St. Helens District Council, to show cause why he should not remove an alleged obstruction on the highway, in the form of an overhanging tree on his property at Seaview.

Mr. C. G. Vincent who prosecuted, said strong representations, especially from the Isle of Wight Motor Express Syndicate, had been made to his Council as to the obstruction caused by the overhanging branch of the old tree to the traffic in the road between Bembridge and Ryde. Persons riding on the top of the motor omnibuses had to duck their heads to escape colliding with the bough of the tree. Sir Alexander Onslow, late Chief Justice of Western Australia, and chairman of the Isle of Wight Motor Express Syndicate, bore out the complaint that the bough of the tree was a very dangerous object in the road for the motor omnibus traffic.

Mr. H. A. Matthews who defended, said the tree was quite 200 years old, and being an ornamental one there was strong sentimental feeling in favour of its preservation. He contended that the motor omnibus, being over three tons did not come within the meaning of the Act, which dealt with a carriage or cart, and he said it would have been better if the motor omnibuses had been adapted to the Isle of Wight roads, and not the roads to the omnibuse.—The Bench postponed their decision for a week.

"THE GARDEN I LOVE."

THE NEW SPEAKER ON A GREAT DEPRIVATION.

THE Speaker, in opening a Penrith horticultural exhibition, said he took a great interest in gardening and in flowers, and he was very glad to do what he could to assist to instil into every one a love of flowers. He believed the love of flowers and of gardening was innate in human nature. How often children, as soon as they could do anything, took to work in the garden. Certainly in the last few years the love of gardening had enormously developed throughout England, and if they went to a country house they were certain to find a good and often a pretty garden. Modern ladies were giving more time to that work, and it was a good sign.

Referring to his election as Speaker, Mr. Lowther said it was a very great honour, but it entailed a great responsibility, and in addition he had to uproot himself from the little house he had occupied near Penrith and transplant himself to the side of the river at Westminster. There was one great drawback to the change. In his present little house he had a garden, in which he could grow auriculopsis, geraniums, polargoniums jessamine, and a host of other things, but in his new residence he had no garden. He had nothing but a bit of grass, and that was laid down over the sewerage arrangements. He would miss his little garden in which he had spent many happy hours.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain and the little cherub awakes as bright as a button. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays pain relieves wind, regulates the bowels and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere.

GOANESE AND THE ROYAL VISIT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I shall esteem it a favour if you will kindly allow me space for a few remarks regarding the meeting of the Goan Community held on Sunday last, and of which a report appears in your issue to-day. Whatever may be urged, Sir, against the Goans one thing must always be said to their credit, viz., that they are always grateful for whatever good any one may do to them, however small it may be. They have over and over again given expression to their feelings of gratitude to the British Government for the innumerable benefits enjoyed by them under the British flag, and it is only natural that on such an august occasion, as the forthcoming visit of their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, they should manifest their desire to support liberally the movement started in Bombay to give Their Royal Highnesses a hearty welcome, and it would doubtless be interesting to you to know that the general wish is not only to collect a large amount of money, but to collect it from, as large a number of Goans as possible, showing thereby that the sentiment of love, and gratitude to the British Crown is confined not only to the rich and well-to-do, but to the poorest of the community as well. Since the 10th instant, the Vicar of Dabul who claims for his flock all Goans arriving in Bombay, has been announcing to the people the forthcoming visit of their Royal Highnesses, and exhorting them to manifest their gratitude to the British Throne by contributing their mite as liberally as possible towards the fund started in Bombay. It was thought that with the influence the clergy generally command over their flock the Dabul priests would be able to collect subscriptions in a manner likely to bring credit to themselves and to the community at large; it was a movement which would have met with the support of all Goans.

Sunday's meeting was, in my opinion, altogether ill advised seeing that the proposals adopted thereat are in direct opposition to the movement initiated by the priests, for while these asked that the contributions may be either handed to them or sent direct to the Secretaries of the Reception Committee, it was decided at the meeting that the monies collected should be made over also to the Central Committee, but in the name of the Union Goanas. I trust, Sir, that all Goans will liberally contribute towards the reception fund, and there is nothing to prevent anybody from sending his contribution direct to the Secretaries appointed at the Town hall meeting.—Yours etc.

GOANUS.

Bombay, Sept. 18.

CONCERNING AN APPOINTMENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I have heard that Mr. Dracup, Fourth Presidency Magistate, is about to be appointed City Magistrate of Poona vice Mr. Carvalho retiring. It may be an idle rumour or there may be a bit of truth in it, but as usual imagination has travelled far and wide and the mere rumour is assumed as a fact and the likelihood of a probable successor to Mr. Dracup is discussed in hot earnest. Even suggestions have been made in various papers that this time a Mahomedan gentleman ought to be selected in preference to a Hindu to maintain a racial and representative equality. But alas! it is a pity no body has considered the other side of the question. The various suggestions made, though valuable, would pale into insignificance when it is inquired whereto lies the necessity of at all transferring Mr. Dracup to Poona? There is no department of the Public Service in which promotions are nowadays so awfully slow as in the Revenue Department. And it is a great pity the matter is not properly laid before Government by any sympathetic Collector or Commissioner. In ignorance of the fact Government bring in outsiders for posts of Deputy Collectors to no small discontent of grey-headed officers of the service.

Mr. Carvalho is the father of the service. If filled up departmentally the vacancy will run through all the six grades of Deputy Collectors and four of Mamlatdars not to speak of the lines of Aval-Karkuns and others. Scores of graduates have entered the Revenue Department and been struggling for existence on miserable salaries Rs. 12 to Rs. 20 a month for years. The loss of a single appointment is no slight thing to them. It adds fuel to fire.

Mr. Dracup was only recently brought to Bombay from Rs. 300 to Rs. 600 a month. The increase in his pay was a big jump. He must now be content with what he is and look forward for promotion to where he is. His transfer to Poona even on equal pay of Rs. 600 will prove equally disastrous to a very large number of deserving but neglected officers, because there are only two places of Rs 700 and one of Rs. 800 in the Deputy Collector's line.

Let us hope that Government will duly weigh the above fact before they come to any definite decision and do unto their servants as sot of grace if not of

JUSTICE.

NOTES FROM GOA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

PANJIM, SEPT. 15.

At last the long expected Ministerial despatch, re concession of lands in Novas Conquistas (new conquests) has appeared in the "Lisbon Gazette," also rules for the conservation and improvement of forests, both here and at the Damaun Pargana; it is to be hoped the authorities here will now deal liberally and fairly with the applications for lands already in their hands awaiting the asked for two modifications in the Rules and Regulations for land concessions as the old ones being now unsuitable. Our Government should grant lands free for 5 years and thereafter fix a moderate rate of tax per acre on the lands granted in perpetuity. Unless Government do so, few or no "bona fide" planters will care to join in the cultivation of plants which take 5 to 7 years to fructify such as the para-rubber, cinchona, teak &c. as in Damaun and which well grow here as well. A competent man possessing a technical and full knowledge of agriculture will be shortly sent out from Lisbon. Captain Norton de Mattos, the present popular Surveyor General and Chief of the Hydraulic Department has been telegraphically ordered to take charge of the Office of Director of Public Works, vacated by the resignation of the much respected and able official, General Assa, who after 30 years' service as Chief of the P. W. Department and various other Departments has now retired on full pension, owing to advanced age.

Last Saturday we had a grand wedding. Senhor Joao Gomes da Silva, grandson of Senhor Fortunato Bettencourt late Professor of the French language in the Lyceum, having been united in the bonds of matrimony to Mademoiselle Maria Wilsmina Tristao, the handsome and accomplished daughter of Major Tristao de Mello Sampaco, Shepherd's, steamers have commenced to ply between this and your city with a few interruptions, owing to the recent heavy rain.

Wines have gone down in price owing to large production in Portugal.

PAITHAN NOTES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

PAITHAN SEPTEMBER 16.

THE weather has been somewhat fitful this year. It kept drizzling during the course of the last week with not unpleasant breaks ever and anon. This has made matters undoubtedly hopeful rendering the soil fit for Rabi sowings. The river, however, will not fill up unless it be fed with heavy downpours, but at any rate the hungry wolf peeping at our doors has scampered away for the nonce, and this is good consolation.

In my last, I said that Paithan was one of the far famed towns of the Deccan owing to its being the birth place of the much revered saint Shree Yeknath. It was, and it still is not the less important town from a commercial point of view. The Mohomedan weavers or Momins, as they are styled here, are quite the experts in the art of textile manufactures in gold and silver. Paithan sarees, doopattas and purgees with gold and silver artistic borders are still highly valued in Gujerat, Ahmedabad and many other big towns of the Presidency and no doubt too, the brilliancy of these highly wrought up stuffs goes without a parallel. Nay, the lustre is, is said, ladies not even after the wear and tear of the stuffs for years. But alas! the poor Momin is doomed! The severe plague of the last year but one has carried away the pick of these poor folks and along with them the indigenous industry is dying out! The poor Momins that escaped this heavy mortality could have revived their dying art in course of time, had it not been for the relentless hand of man that fills their cup of miseries to overflowing! The Customs authorities at the Head-quarters have enhanced the custom-dues on importation of silver and gold from 5 to 25 per cent and thus have given a fatal blow to this industry! This enhanced tariff has also brought about the corresponding fall in the revenues accruing from the Customs here as can be fully gleaned from the Customs Duties. I am, however given to understand that some association has lately come into being at Hyderabad avowedly for the revival of indigenous arts and industries of India. Will the said association look to this?

CRICKET.

K. C. A. C. C. vs IMPERIAL C. C.

A CRICKET match was played on Sunday on the Marine Lines between the Kanara Catholic Association C. C. and the Imperial C. C. The Association won the match by 53 runs. The following are the scores:—

K. C. A. C. C.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
A Tellis, c Golpadwalla, b Chinoy	0	st b Mehta	2
A Lobo, b Soonawalla	2	c Golpada, b Mehta	2
B Lobo, run out	21	c Mulla, b Mehta	1
A Correa, c Mulla, b Chinoy	7	b Chinoy	1
S Aranha, c Chinoy, b Polishwalla	8	b Mehta	3
John Tellis, c Mulla, b Polishwalla	0	run out	3
R Pinto, not out	25	b Mehta	2
H Pinto b Chinoy	3	b Mehta	8
Louis D'Souza, run out	0	c Mulla, b Chinoy	4
Leo D'Souza, b Polishwalla	2	run out	2
L D'Sa, c and b Polishwalla	3	not out	0
Extras	10	Extras	3
Total	82	Total	39

IMPERIAL C. C.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
D F Mulla, b Correa	0	b Aranha	11
D H Golpadwalla, c Pinto, b Lobo	4	b Correa	0
K L Polishwalla, b Lobo	9	b Correa	1
D H Patel, run out	3	b Lobo	2
D J Soonawalla, b Correa	0	b Correa	0
F P Mehta, b Correa	6	not out	0
F M Mulla, not out	8	c B Pinto, b Correa	0
S B Mistry, b Correa	0	b Correa	0
F C Chinoy, b Correa	0	} Did not bat.	
B N Cagrath, b Correa	1		
Bennett, b Correa	0		
Extras	4	Extras	7
Total	33	Total	27

GAUD SARSWAT C. C. vs. GUJARATHI UNION C. C.

A match was played on Marine Ground on Sunday, and resulted in a win for Sarswats by 115 runs. Scores:—

GAUD SABSWAT, C. C.

V D Pai, l-b-w, M Desai	56
S W Kamat, c B C Desai, b S Desai	21
A V Salkhardande, not out	33
K R Pilgaonkar, not out	27
V S Rangnekar, }	
G B Hegde, }	
N S Wagh, }	
S B Gothoskar, } Did not bat.	
D V Salkhardande, }	
B D Pai, }	
L B Varadkar, }	
Extras	12
Total (2 wkts)	159*

* Inning declared closed.

GUJABATHI UNION C. C.

Bhansali, run out	9
J S Doctor, b Wagh	1
B C Desai, run out	0
M K Desai, not out	21
Parekh, c S W Kamat, b Wagh	0
P Thanawalla, b Pilgaonkar	0
S Desai, c A V Salkhardande, b Pilgaonkar	4
T R Dave, c Gothoskar, b Wagh	1
L Trivedi, b Wagh	2
T Thanawalla, b Wagh	0
H Mehta, run out	0
Extras	15
Total	44

THANA GYMKHANA vs. BOMBAY P. W. D. C. C.

A MATCH was played at Thana, on Sunday, between the Thana Gymkhana and the Public Works C. C. of Bombay, resulting in a win for the former by 10 runs. The P. W. D. made 115 runs to which score Messrs. Linn and Wood contributed 34 and 21 respectively. The total score for the Thana Gymkhana was 125 runs. Messrs. Raja (junr.) and Clayton making each 58 and 20 runs, Mr. Raja bowled well for the Home team, while Mr. Wood proved a very useful bowler for the visitors.

THE WEATHER.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

SIMLA, SEPT. 18.

Local rain has fallen on the Burma Coast, and in Assam, Bengal, Behar, East of the United Provinces and the interior of South India. Some showers have fallen in the interior of Burma, Chota Nagpur, and in the Peninsula except in South India, where practically no rain has fallen. The chief amounts are Tavoy 3 1-2 inches, Moulmein, Narayanganj and Parnea 1 1-2 inches, Dinajpur Darbhanga and Trincomalee 1 inch, Darjeeling, Gorakhpur and Neemuch 3-4 of an inch and Yamethin 1-2 an inch. The changes in the pressure distribution have been favourable for rain in Burma at the expense of the rest of India, while cloud has decreased over the Peninsula and the central parts of the country. The Arabian Sea monsoon is almost as feeble as yesterday. The skies in the areas under its influence are not reported as completely overcast except at Jaipur, Karwar and Wellington. General rain is probable on the Burma Coast and local rain in the interior of Burma Coast Assam, Bengal, Behar, and East of the United Provinces. Some rain is possible in Chota Nagpur and a few falls are likely in the Peninsula.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER AND CROP REPORTS, 18TH SEPTEMBER.

Amritsar.—Seasonable. Cotton crop excellent. All crops doing well. Cotton plants continue to show more improvement. Rabi sowings progressing favourably. Rabi crop prospects generally good.

Moolan.—Bright, no sign of rain. Seasonable. Cotton healthy. Sufficient rain in northern district. Fooi grains doing well.

Delhi.—Cloudy, but no rain. Cotton picking first sowing partially begun.

Cawnpore.—Bright, no sign of rain, All crops doing well.

Beawar.—Looks like rain. Cotton plants flourishing and show bolls rapidly ripening.

Amraoti.—Rain general over district. Cotton prospects much improved.

Khamgaon.—Looks like clearing up. Cotton plants in flower. Food-grains doing well.

Dhulia.—Looks like clearing up. Cotton plants flourishing. All crops doing well.

Jalgaon.—Cloudy, but no rain. Mornings cold and dewy. Cotton plants flourishing. Cotton healthy. Food-grains and all crops doing well.

Broach.—Cloudy and sunny. Seasonable. Cotton plants flourishing. Food-grains and all crops doing well.

Viramgaon.—Cloudy, but no rain. Cotton plants flourishing.

Wadhwan.—Looks like rain. Seasonable. Cotton plants flourishing. Food-grains doing well. Crop prospects generally good.

Dholera.—Looks like rain. Rain general over district. Cotton plants flourishing.

Bhavnagar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Seasonable. Cotton plants flourishing.

Baroda.—Looks like clearing up. Cotton plants in flower and continue to show more improvement. Cotton healthy. All crops doing well.

Sholapur.—Bright, no sign of rain. Rain much needed generally.

Hubli.—Cloudy, but no rain. Mornings cold and dewy. Rain much needed generally. Absence of rain causes anxiety.

Bellary.—Cloudy, but no rain. Cotton plants want more rain.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON MONDAY, THE 18TH SEPT.

SUMMARY.

Pressure has changed irregularly and by small amounts over the whole country. It is above normal everywhere.

Winds are very variable in direction along the coast from Cochin to Bombay, while they are south-westerly to north-westerly in all other districts. The force has been fresh to light.

Temperature.—The greatest variations are:—Maximum 5° to 6° above normal at Bijapur, Sholapur and Ahmednagar. The highest temperature in the shade was 107° at Jacobabad and the lowest 60° at Belgaum.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is locally cloudy in all districts.

Rain.—Only nine stations report rain to-day, the largest amounts recorded being 0·35" at Neemuch and about a quarter of an inch at Allahabad, Bhavnagar Para, Surat and Colombo.

Weather.—Pressure is remarkably uniform on the Malabar Coast, Ceylon, in the Bombay Presidency, Central India and over the greater part of Kathiwar Rain in scattered showers is likely here and there.

Weather during the week ending 16th September, in the Trades region.—

Mauritius.—Pressure had been 04" below normal, wind variable and 7 miles an hour. Rain amounted to 0·76."

Zanzibar.—Pressure had been 11" below normal, wind variable and 5 miles an hour. Rainfall nil.

Seychelles.—Pressure had been 04" below normal, wind south-easterly and 10 miles an hour. Rain amounted to 0·36."

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

THE NEW G. I. P. RAILWAY EXPRESSES.

DURING recent months the several articles and illustrations which have been published in the pages of this journal, writes the "Indian and Eastern Engineer," have from time to time given our readers some indication of the great improvements in Indian Railway travel introduced on the Great Indian Peninsula Railway system. The introduction of the new and powerful type of main line express six-wheeled coupled locomotives, the running of Restaurant Cars on mail trains, and the placing of corridor trains on the Bombay-Kalyan service have all been features in the line of progress inaugurated by the well-known Agent, Mr. H. Wenden C. I. E. and pursued by the officials of the Company under his charge in the past year, and the success of their efforts in the direction of catering for the comfort of travellers in the Western Presidency has proved most complete. Coupled with a considerable acceleration of speed and the running of comfortable passenger coaches, traffic over that portion of the system lying between Bombay and Poona has greatly increased, and with the recent introduction of cheap week-end trip tickets should result in even larger numbers of travellers between the Capital City of Western India and Poona, the ancient Capital of the Peshwas. It is doubtful if there is another length of line—119 miles—in any part of India that affords such attractions to the tourist or holiday-maker as that lying between the above-named places. The passenger leaving Bombay for a change of climate, after passing through the busy suburbs of that commercial city, has a delightful view over the lowlying land of the Konkan, which embraces the open and picturesque scenery lying between Tanna along the Kalyan river to the latter town. Then there is the rapid journey through well-cultivated country past Neral, the station for the hill resort Matheran, to Karjat at the foot of the Bhore ghauts. Here the line commences to ascend the hills, a journey that at all times is interesting and which during the rains, is most beautiful, as the hills and valleys are then running with miniature waterfalls and rivers; the remarkable character of the inclines and the scenery of the mountains at all times making the ascent or descent a noteworthy stage in Indian travel. After rising to a height of about 2,000 feet, the train passes Khandalla and Lanowli, two of the most popular health resorts in the Presidency, and then rushes through the uplands of the Deccan, past the military station of Kirkee to Poona, a thriving city, where racing and all branches of sport find ample patronage.

One of the most popular trains running between Bombay and the latter city is that known as the Poona Day mail, which completes the through journey in 3 hours 45 minutes, leaving Bombay daily at 3 p. m. and Poona at 7·5 a. m. In connection with this service a new "Vestibuled Express" train of seven cars has been built and commenced running on the 27th July, since which date it has attracted great attention and been exceptionally well patronised. The new train was designed and constructed under the supervision of Mr. A. M. Bell, M. I. Mech. E., the Carriage and Wagon Superintendent of the G. I. P. Company, who since he has held that appointment, has done much to provide for the comfort of passengers by bringing to bear in the building of rolling-stock the value of his experience of home and American Railways. The "Vestibuled Express" was built at the Company's Parel Works and in completeness of detail, luxuriousness of design, and internal comfort, compares favourably with the most celebrated trains running on the British and American Railways. In designing the "Express" careful attention was given to the classes of passengers the average number travelling, and working out all details has in any possible way might assist in relieving the monotony of a long journey. That the officials of the G. I. P. Railway have succeeded in their endeavours in this direction will be borne out by a reference to the illustrations of the train appearing in this issue. Among some of the most striking features of the new Express are that all the cars are inter-communicating, allowing of passage from end to end of the train. The provision of Parlour and Restaurant Cars palatial in design, are features that command themselves to the tired or hungry traveller in the upper classes, while a refreshment bar for native third class passengers is an innovation that shows the progressive spirit of the Company. Lavatories are also provided for all classes and in the first and second class cars electric fans are installed, while the large windows in addition to providing a ready means of observation give access to pure air. The train is lighted throughout with electricity, and all the doors of the passenger cars open inwards; those for the end luggage compartments are of a sliding pattern so arranged that everything closes flush with the sides of the cars. The seats in the open cars are of the turn-over pattern, and in the first and second class are numbered and can be booked in advance, in order that passengers may not be encumbered by hand baggage, "cloak rooms" or compartments are reserved in both the latter classes for the storage of the same; another noticeable feature being that the heavy baggage compartments are located at the extreme end of the train.

It might be thought that the above Mail Express had met every conceivable requirement of the traveller, but apparently Mr. Bell and Mr. A. Muirhead, the General Traffic Manager, are of a different opinion, for in regard to the Bombay-Poona Race Express they are going one better. These trains are run regularly during the Poona racing season and cover the 119 miles in exactly 3 hours which, after allowing for something like 30 minutes occupied in climbing the ghauts, gives almost if not a record in Indian railway speed for the more level section. The "race specials" have been running with great success for more than one season and last year the addition of Parlour and Restaurant Cars to the first-class Express was an innovation that found great favour with sportsmen. Now the first-class train is composed entirely of corridor cars and one of the most striking points in that connection will be the introduction of bath and dressing-rooms in one of the cars. This will enable sportsmen on leaving the course at Poona after a hot and possibly dusty journey by road to the railway station, to board the train, bathe and change and on the journey back to Bombay dine in the Restaurant Car and fill up the remaining time reclining in comfortable easy-chairs in the smoking or parlour saloons.

THE OUTLOOK IN THE PERSIAN GULF.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—The following telegram of yesterday's date has been received here from Teheran:—"The Persian Government is negotiating for the purchase of two gunboats, with a view to putting a stop to the operations of smugglers in the Persian Gulf, their activity having recently got beyond control of the authorities."

St. Petersburg, Aug. 26.—Over the signature of Mirza Karagag Ali Khan, the "Slovo's" correspondent in Teheran a letter appears on Russo-English relations in Persia. It says:—"Since the arrival in Teheran of our new Minister, A. N. Schneider, the situation in Persia tends more and more to the danger of a coming serious disagreement between Russia and England. Every true patriot must rejoice that for the coming struggle St. Petersburg has sent a businesslike and energetic representative, on whose shoulders has fallen the no light task of correcting the errors of his predecessors. . . . An energetic representative is also needed for the Caucasus, the strategical base of all Russian policy in Near and Central Asia, seeing that England our rival is selecting capable and energetic diplomatists for Persia. Sir Arthur Hardinge gives rest neither to the Persians nor to the Russian Minister. He is very busy, knowing well that Russia will not always have her hands tied. The success of our trading in Southern Persia is disquieting the English." Then, discussing at length Lord Curzon's determined and successful policy of anticipating the construction of the Bagdad Railway by strengthening the influence of India in the neighbouring countries, the letter proceeds:—"England will profit by the Bagdad Railway and the Suez Canal will not suffer. It serves as a fresh economic and political factor in England's Imperialism. She will use it without having contributed to its construction. With her Resident in Koweit England acquires a commanding position in the Persian Gulf, and she has taken measures to annex the island of Masirach the second most important point in the Gulf by landing soldiers under the pretence of meting out punishment for the murder of an English sailor."

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Deaths	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade,	1	0	2
B Mandvi, Chakla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	2	2	13
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Panwadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	0	1	17
D Khaswadi Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Malabar Hill	0	0	3
Mazagaon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamathipura, Tadeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	0	0	13
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	5
G Mahim and Worli	0	0	4
Colony Divisions	0	0	0
Non-Residents and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	0	8
Total	3	3	68
Total plague deaths to date	304,545	225,088	
Same date last year	10	9	95

CEREBRO-SPINAL FEVER.

THE Local Government Board has issued a circular to the borough councils town councils and urban and rural district councils throughout England, dealing with the subject of cerebro-spinal fever.

The board state that they have reason to believe that the fact that cerebro-spinal fever has recently been somewhat extensively prevalent in Central Europe and in America has given rise in some quarters to a doubt whether the disease in question may not have newly extended to or have been developing in England. They, therefore, think it desirable to state that, so far as they have been able to ascertain, there is no ground for such apprehension. It appears in fact, to be probable that cerebro-spinal fever is at the present time not more prevalent in this country than it has been from time to time during the last quarter of a century.

Nevertheless, the board consider that sanitary authorities should be on the alert to detect the presence of the disease in their districts, or to satisfy themselves as to its absence; and to this end the board have issued a memorandum, which has been prepared by their Medical Officer, dealing generally with the characteristic symptoms of the disease, and especially with its minor and anomalous manifestations.

In the memorandum referred to, Dr. W. H. Power, medical officer to the Local Government Board, states that cerebro-spinal fever, known also as epidemic cerebro-spinal meningitis, spotted fever, and by many other less frequently used names, has recently attracted renewed attention in this country by reason of the serious mortality occasioned by disease of this class in New York and in certain localities on the continent of Europe. Interest in this malady has been further stimulated by the public notice which has been taken of the recent identification of a case in the neighbourhood of London, and of several cases, four of which terminated fatally, at Irthlingborough, in Northamptonshire.

Whether cerebro-spinal fever is spread by direct infection from person to person is a matter of uncertainty; indeed there is as yet no definite knowledge as to the way or ways in which its transmission may take place. Since, however, the possibility of direct personal infection cannot, on the evidence available, be excluded, it will be wise to endeavour to secure as far as practicable, the isolation of the sick from the healthy. It will also be advisable to apply suitable measures of disinfection to premises that have been occupied by the sick, and to articles that may have been in relation with them.

THE INTERNATIONAL COTTON FEDERATION.

MR. C. W. MACARA, chairman of the committee of the International Federation of Master Cotton Spinners and Manufacturers' Associations has received from Mr. Arno Schmidt, the organising secretary the report of his recent visit to the Continental associations included in the federation. Mr. Schmidt reports that the recommendation to the users of cotton throughout the world to restrict their purchases of cotton to actual requirements, which was contained in the manifesto issued on July 31 by the committee, after the meeting in London that day, has been widely followed on the Continent. The small sales in Liverpool and in the American markets prove conclusively that this recommendation has also been generally adopted in all cotton-using countries. In the meantime, the scheme for obtaining trustworthy statistics as to the consumption of cotton and the stocks held by spinners is making satisfactory progress. Spinners, the committee believe, have only to co-operate in their own interests to render the trade independent of the information at present supplied by persons who are acting principally for the sellers of the raw material.

HIGH COURT.—September 19.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice B TYEBJEE.
Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long Causes.

613-04—Thakurdas and Co. vs Vaid Moonderji and Co vs Sarabhai Vajeshanker and others—Bhaishunker K and G For further hearing and Argument.

In the matter of an Arbitration out of Court between the parties in suit 391 of 1901 wherein Loomba Somji and others—are pltffs and Hirji Nagji the deft, and in the matter of the Arbitration Act IX of 1899 Mag J and G

M B Chothia Lumba Somji and other vs Petitioners

Long Causes.

611-03—Madhavji and K—Vithaldas Damodhar and another vs Rupcoovervai widow and others—Bhaishanker K and G—Part heard.

503-03—Payne and Co—The Administrator General of Bombay vs Haji Yusuf Haji Tyab and others—Tyabji D and Co

403-05—Cragie Land O—The Bombay Ice Manufacturing Co Limited vs Dhunjibhoy Pestonji—Arder H and Co

389-05—Ardeser H D and Co—Cowasji Bomanji Boman Behram vs Cassum Goolam Hoosein—Maganlal J and G

463-04—Nadirshah and T—Shivshanker Gokulji vs Vithaldas Sunderdas and another—Wadia G and Co

688-04—Payne and Co—Haji Goolam Mahomed Azam vs K Baservedjy—D D and Sunderdas

151-03—Payne and Co—Kaka Khoobai and anr vs Rustomji Ardeser Cooper Mulla and M

564-03—Matubhoy J and M—Parikh Bhogilal Purshotamdas vs Chunilal Umedbhai and others—Daphtary and F

564-21841-04—M B Chothia Jeram Bhana and another vs Bapuji Dossabhoy Patell—Crawford B and Co

862-04—In person Koovervai widow vs Kooverji Doongersey Thacker Madan and K

370-04—Matubhoy J and M—Laloo Kishoredas vs Suraji Karsonji and others—Tyabji D and Co.

28-05—K J Billimoria Damodar Keroba Dattarkar vs Bhowani Shunker Balkrishna Dadarkar and others—Unwalla and P.

Before the Hon. Mr. Justice CHANDAVARKAR.
Suits for hearing and final disposal
Short Causes.

576-00—Pestonji R and K—Sorabji Cursetji vs Dadabhoy Hormusji Billimoria and others—M B Chothia and Pestonji R and K

733-02—Ardeser H W and Co—Ardeser Framji and others vs Haji Ebrahim Haji Vyndina

6-05—Hiralal D—Chunnea Vunna and others vs Narbedabai and others—Kanga and P S J Payne and Co

276—03—M R Vakil—Hemraj Vundravan vs Keshav Upandhar Kudwa and others—Raghavaja and B

476-05—Raghavaja and B—Dalsookhbhai Foolchand vs Mancomal Alli Abdool Hoosein

553-05—Dikshit D and S Govind Mahadeo Ghate and another vs Radhabhai widow and others In Person

563-05—Sorabji and J—Bai Manekbai widow vs Tulsidas Dharji In person

583-05—Crawford B and Co—N C Macleod vs Coorsey Damji and another—Malvi H and M and R

581-05—Crawford B and Co—N C Macleod vs Lakhamsey Sewji and another Malvi H and M and B

597-05—Matubhoy J and M—Chunilal Nanchand and others vs Toker Kapur Bhaskunker K and G

612-05—B Noble—Koonanmull Vanachand and another vs Esufalli Hassanalli

645-05—Mehta and D Ahmed Ebrahim vs Haji Moosa Haji Esmail Captain

647-03—Wadia G and C—Mankorbai vs Narandas Dharamsi—Edgelow G and M

653-05—M B Chothia—Hirjibhai Hormusji Wadia vs Hormusji Pallonji Dalmcherji and another—Kanga and P

663-05—Sorabji and J—Kalchumbroo Dinana Watcha vs Hussanally Mulla Hukimji and another—Machavji and J

Undefended New Long Causes.

511-05—M B Vakil—Cunilal Damodardas Belapuria vs Mulji Khimji

513-05—Khunderao S an' L—Haji Esmail Haji Essak vs Miya Mahomed Hoosen bin Mahomedally Narmabalia

Long Causes.

830-04—Nanu and H Co—

WRITERS AND READERS.

THE world of scholarship in general, and the University of Oxford in particular, has to mourn the death last week at the age of sixty-nine, of Dr. Monro, Provost of Oriel since 1882 and an Homeric scholar of European fame. Monro succeeded Hawkins, the Provost of the Oriel of the Oxford Movement which had become not long before Monro's accession the Oriel of Mr. Cecil Rhodes. It was not to Monro in any way that could have been due, Mr. Rhodes's distrust of the business qualities of college dons, for, scholar as he was before all else, Monro displayed great capacity for the administrative business of the university, especially in his tenure of the Vice-Chancellorship, which terminated only a year ago.

On the comic stage, the funny man, when sick at sea, asks the captain to let him get out and walk. Charles Darwin, who was terribly sea-sick in the Beagle, desired, so it appears, to do something almost as dangerous. When the Beagle touched at Durban—so Mr. George Darwin has told the citizens of Durban—Darwin asked Captain Fitzroy to put him ashore to make his way on foot or on horseback to Cape Town. Those were not the days of Cape to Cairo railways. The Dark Continent was a dark continent indeed, and though there would have been a great deal of extreme interest to be noted by the eye of the naturalist, the odds would have been considerable against his surviving to publish them. So the world has to thank the puff of wind that prevented the boat leading for what the Germans call "Darwinismus."

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Reeves, better known to the literary world as Miss Helen Mathers, whose birthday it was on Saturday. It is many years ago since she became famous with her first book, 'Comin' thro' the Rye," a book in a vein of sentiment which Miss Broughton had made popular. It is just a week since her latest book, The Ferryman, was issued by Messrs. Methuen. She has followed Miss Broughton's good example in another respect. She has never overwritten herself—no slight merit in these hurried days.

August 27, was the hundred and thirty-fifth anniversary of the birth of Hegel. It was the sixty-fourth birthday of Sir Richard Jebb, O. M., member of the British Academy. A remark—perhaps apocryphal—alleged to have been made by Mr. George Meredith to Mr. John Morley, has been thus reported:—G. M. to J. M.—I know what O. M. means. It means Old Man. If Mr. George Meredith were not a sufficient refutation of his own jest, Mr. Morley might have convinced him by his own case and that of Sir Richard Jebb, Mr. Meredith's literary colleague in the recent grant of the King's new Order of Merit.

Taine said the philosophical task of his generation was to re-think Hegel, England, following Oxford and the late T. H. Green, made a vigorous effort to re-think Hegel; and if in the palmiest days of our New Hegelianism our young philosophers never suffered, as it was said, the disciples did during Hegel's earlier supremacy in Germany, from a depressing conviction that the universe had no more secrets left to discover, the new Hegelian impulse has at least to be credited with the recent vitality of philosophical speculation among us. A friend once proposed to write an essay on Hegel as a man of letters. It would be well worth doing. Hegel had his remarkable moments of literary lucidity. Take for example the splendid saying about the Crusades—that a second time Christendom had sought its Lord in the Sepulchre, and a second time the answer had been given—He is not here. He is risen, or recall the witty retort to Cousin, that a philosophy could be stated succinctly, especially, in French.

The Publishers' Circular has discovered what appears likely to prove a worthy successor of that delightful Portuguese handbook to English as she is Spoke. This is a Booksellers' Guide of Correspondence in German, English, and French, issued by Mr. Karl Fr. Pfau, publisher, of Leipzig. Our contemporary has received Part I., and looks forward with enthusiasm to the appearance of the remaining nineteen parts, if the author continues the English part of the work in the same bold and original style that is to be found in Part I. Evidently, we are told, the sending of books which are not ordered is not unknown in the German book-trade for in most of the model letters some such note as this is to be found: As we prefer to choose ourselves we are wanting in future please do not make as uncommanded sendings.

The book on Sea Life in Nelson's Time, announced by Messrs. Methuen, is a book suggested by the coming anniversary of Trafalgar; but the fact that it is by Mr. J. E. Masefield will give it a particular interest for all appreciative readers of Mr. Masefield's fine ballads and tales of the sea.

That very popular book The Garden that I Love perhaps the prettiest book that the Poet Laureate has written, thoroughly deserves to be issued, as I see it is to be, by Messrs. Black, in an edition illustrated in colour, after the method that has become so popular. The pictures of Mr. Austin's garden have been made by Mr. George S. Elgood.

Dr. Jenkinson, the Cambridge University librarian presiding this week at the annual meeting of the Library Association at Cambridge, paid in his presidential address a well-deserved tribute to the service of the famous Cambridge bibliographer Henry Bradshaw. What the University could not afford to buy he told his hearers, Henry Bradshaw used to buy himself, and present to the library; and these purchases were made with the knowledge and judgment for which he became famous, so that every book added meant a point illustrated. As an example of the results Dr. Jenkinson mentioned that whereas of the books printed in Holland in the fifteenth century, the British Museum possessed 293, the Cambridge University library possessed 307 Bradshaw again was a pioneer in the study of typography, in which so great a revival has taken place in our day.

The Harvest of Love, by C. Ranger-Gull is very distinctly clever, often decidedly witty, and full of shrewd touches in description of character and reflections generally. The bourgeoise peeress, whose simplicity and good heart bring her triumphantly into favour even with the fastidious who most regretted the mesalliance, is a new and well drawn figure. Where the book breaks down is in the intolerably false sentiment of its conclusion. Brutality put, the facts are these:—A young man of old family and good position meets an exquisite girl with every charm and virtue. She is an auctioneer's daughter, with an unspeakable brother. These two facts lead him to forego the idea of marriage with her. She breaks her heart and dies in the good old way. Before her death the two have a bedside scene of infinite pathos, and after it the high-minded person of the book addresses her virtual murderer in this way: In those last hours of her sweet and fragrant agony, when your soul was made hers and her soul yours for all eternity, you lived your life, . . . Love is all and so on—a truly mawkish and false view of a contemptible love. Go and work and be a man next time, one might suggest as worth and as trickle of the sort.

Mel B. Spurr: His life work, writings, and recitations, by Harry A. Spurr is an interesting little autobiography of an entertainer who will never again earn our applause and appreciation. Born in the quaint old market town of Selby (Yorkshire) Melancthon Burton Spurr was only six years old, when he began to learn the piano. At the early age of ten he was the school organist at Ousegate School Selby. Subsequently he practised as a solicitors, but a love for entertaining was in his blood, and he chafed at the law's restraint. Hearing Corney Grain sing one night at the St. Georges Hall, he there and then decided to abandon the law and seek fame by amusing others. How well he succeeded many already know. His success, however, was not won without an uphill fight, interestingly described in Mr. Harry Spurr's book—a book which will be welcome to many who have known his brother on the stage or off.

GENERAL LORD METHUEN has announced to the Eastern Command that from Sept. 1 the headquarters of the Ninth Infantry Brigade will be moved from Chatham to Gravesend.

THE last Nijni-Novgorod Fair opened on the 28th of July, and the business done there was very quiet. The display of goods for sale was considerably less than usual, and the Siberian and Persian merchants attending it were very much fewer than in former years. The prices, however, showed a tendency to rise.

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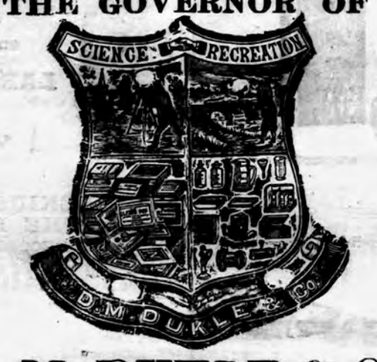

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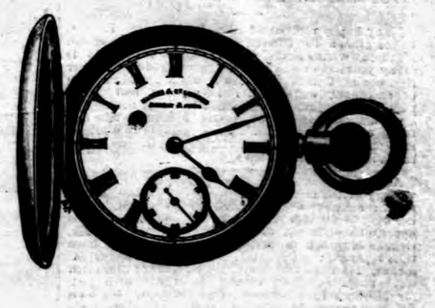

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